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Next session will be held with Fall Creek Church, August 7th, 1958 and with Roaring Creek Church on August 8th, 1958

DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

Moderator—Rev. J. C. Brown ..... Cranberry
Vice Moderator—Rev. Howard Hodges ..... Crossnore
Clerk-Treasurer—Ed W. Buchanan ..... Minneapolis
Historian—Bruce Daniels ..... Newland

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee is the Officers of the Association and all Pastors serving in our Association and one layman from each church. Laymen to be elected by the local church.

COMMITTEES TO REPORT AT NEXT SESSION

Cooperative Program ..... R. L. Painter
Periodicals ..... W. W. Braswell
Temperance ..... G. H. Dellinger
Education ..... Lloyd Shell
W. M. U. ..... Mrs. J. T. Tanner
Sunday Schools ..... J. A. Webb
B. T. U. ..... W. W. Abernethy
V. B. S. ..... Grace Ollis
Brotherhood ..... Mack Hodge
Baptist Homes for Children ..... W. W. Abernethy
Homes for the Aged ..... Billie Smith
Evangelism ..... Ira Hodges
Obituaries ..... Kenneth Johnson
Finance ..... Ed W. Buchanan

MINISTERS WHO ARE NOT PASTORS IN OUR ASSOCIATION

W. A. Braswell, Jess Cook, Rube Cook, Earl Carver, L. L. Estepp, Calvin Guy, Troy Guy, V. W. Greene, Warney Guinn, Gaither Harmon, Alvin Hicks, Ham Hobson, Evin Hobson, Spencer McCloud, James Puckett, Jeff Pyatt, Charlie Thomas, Dudley Trivett, Lloyd W. Sudderth.

DELEGATES LISTED

AARON: John Hayes, Alberta Hayes.

BEECH MOUNTAIN: Joe Parlier, John Trivett, Dudley Trivett, Harvie Bowman, M. D. Moore.

BELVIEW: Lusk Henson, Maynard Ollis, Mrs. Nell Ollis, Rhetta Gouge.

BIG MEADOW: Mrs. Jones Stamey, Mrs. Ada Johnson, Misher Carpenter, Dellie Carpenter.

CHESTNUT DALE: Geter Isaacs, Lem Carpenter.

CRANBERRY: Mrs. Edith Brown, Mrs. Fae Turbyfill, Mrs. John Holsclaw.

CROSSNORE: Kenneth Johnson, John Webb, Paul Woody, Mrs. Tom Dellinger, Sr., Mrs. Ruth Johnson.

ELK PARK: No Delegates.

ELK VALLEY: Gaither Harmon, Troy Trivett, Marion Horney, Don Franklin, Ernest McGuire.

FALL CREEK: J. C. Smith, Junior Smith, Geo. Crawford, T. B. Grider.

FAIRVIEW: Avery Hoilman, Carl Cook, A. D. Woody.

FLAT SPRINGS: Joseph Norris, Don Greene, J. M. Harmon.

GREEN VALLEY: Mr. and Mrs. Fritz Hall, Dent Weatherman.

HENSON CREEK: Lillian Buchanan, Joe Houston, Kate McKinney, Julia Houston.

JONAS RIDGE: Arthur Rose, Paul Rose, L. T. Shell, Grace Rose.

MINNEAPOLIS: R. T. Lewis, Creed Sparks.

MT. PLEASANT: Mrs. Sam Thompson, R. F. Horney.

NEWLAND: Mrs. Bob Banner, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Gaines, Mrs. C. M. Lecka, Mrs. Bertie Daniels.

OAK GROVE: C. H. New, Arnold Parker, Scott Taylor.

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PINEOLA: Mrs. Ira Vance, Mrs. R. W. Moir, Mrs. Roger Franklin.

PLEASANT HILL: Mrs. Ernest Hughes, Molt Buchanan, Bob English, Earl Greene, Mrs. Vance Buchanan, Mrs. Roy Ollis.

PLEASANT VALLEY: Noah Hicks, Mrs. Walter Hicks, Mrs. Delmar Laws.

POWDER MILL: Howard Thomas, Rosa Thomas, Mr. and Mrs. Hick Buchanan.

ROARING CREEK: Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Hughes, Clifton King.

STAMEY TOWN: G. H. Dellinger, Flora Stamey, Ruby Dellinger, Agnes Bowman.

SUGAR MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Leo Braswell, Marie Braswell.

VALLEY HAVEN: Stewart Berry, Mrs. Della Baird, Larry Draughan.

WHITES MEMORIAL: Frank and Mable Vance, Jerry Ingram.

YELLOW MOUNTAIN: Claude Stafford, Oma Buchanan.

CONSTITUTION

Art. 1. This body shall be known as the Avery County Baptist Association.

Membership

Art. 2. The membership shall consist of duly elected delegates from the various churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of 100 members or less shall be entitled to three delegates, and every additional fifty or major fraction an additional delegate.

Objects

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing harmony, the intelligence and Spiritual power of the churches and for directing and developing their gifts in advancing the Redeemer's Kingdom in the earth.

Power and Prerogatives

Art. 4. The Association shall not have power to infringe upon the sovergnity or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical legislature, nor council, nor court of appeals. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption but cannot bind them in any way, yet in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes not orthodox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by delegates or letter more than two successive sessions without sufficient reason, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon applications of a church for admission.

Rights of Churches

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent Church of Jesus Christ. As consistent members of the Association, the churches have the rights to advise when desired in a case of difficulty and to suggest plans of usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

Duties of the Churches

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates as far as practicable their most capable members, to insist upon their attendance and to send by them a contribution to the Association funds to pay for printing minutes and other necessary expenses. It shall be the duty of the churches to have their associational letter read and approved and mailed to the Clerk of the Association 10 days before time for the Association to meet.

Officers

Art. 8. The officers of the Association shall be: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer (one person), Historian, and an Executive Committee consisting of the Officers of the Association, and all Pastors and one layman from each church. The layman to be elected by the local church. Their terms of office except the Clerk to begin at the conclusion of the session at which they are elected and continue till the close of the next session. The Clerk shall continue till the Minutes are printed and distributed. All officers provided for in this article to be members of a Baptist Church belonging to this Association.

Duties of the Officers

Art. 9. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the time appointed, to enforce the rules, to keep order and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles established by parliamentary usage.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to assist the Moderator in the executive rulings of the Associational Meetings and in the absence of the Moderator to serve as presiding officer.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep faithful record of the proceedings of the body and together with a publishing committee which shall consist of the Moderator and two other members of the Association, publish the minutes and other important documents belonging to the Body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Historian to preserve important data of the Association.

Art. 13. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members.

RULES OF ORDER

I. Meetings

1. The Association shall meet annually at the time and place of its own selection.

2. During each session the Association shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hour fixed by the Body.

3. All meetings shall be opened and closed with a devotional period.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No person shall speak more than twice and not longer than twenty minutes on any subject without permission of the Body.

6. No member shall be allowed to stand up, talk, read or move about during the business except to gain or impart information on the subject under discussion.

II. Business

1. Call the roll of the churches and enrolled delegates.

2. Reading of letters shall be referred to Committee on State of Churches.

3. Investigate the failure of churches to be represented at the previous meetings.

4. Receive new churches.

5. Invite visitors to be seated.

6. Fill any vacancy in organization.

7. Appointment of committees.

8. Adopt and follow report of Committee on Order of Business as to subjects and discussion.

9. Election of officers.

10. Miscellaneous business shall be provided for at the pleasure of the Body.

11. All Customs of order herein provided for shall be decided by the rules of Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-SIXTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE AVERY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

AUGUST 8

1. On August 8th at 9:30 the Association met with Crossnore Baptist Church, the Moderator, Ira Hodges, presiding. Song. Devotion was by Howard Hodges.
2. Enrollment and all churches answered by Messenger. New pastor was Rev. Billie Smith, pastor at Aaron. Visitors recognized were: J. M. Hayes of the Homes for the Aged and W. J. Crump, Ronda Earp, E. O. Bustle and several others that I did not get the names. Rev. Erbie McKinney new pastor at Cranberry.
3. Election of officers. Rev. J. C. Brown, Moderator. Rev. Howard Hodges, Vice Moderator. Ed W. Buchanan, Clerk and Treasurer. Bruce Daniels, Historian. The following committee was appointed on Constitution and By-Laws: Howard Hodges, W. W. Abernethy, Mack Hodges. (See Art. 8.) On Time and Place: Fritz Hall, Dewey Gouge, T. D. Grider. On Resolutions: R. T. Lewis, Earl Green, V. W. Greene.
4. Offering taken to reimburse Treasurer was $20.94. On motion made and carried the Clerk to receive $75.00 for his service.
5. Report on Evangelism by R. L. Painter. J. M. Hayes presented Rev. Guy Cain and he spoke on the subject. Bro. Hayes brought greetings from our Old Folk and made a good speech.
6. V. B. S. Report was by Grace Ollis and T. U. Report by W. W. Abernethy. Sunday School Report by Billie Smith and Ed W. Buchanan and on motion the Reports were adopted with instruction to the Clerk to cut down on lengthy reports. Song by the audience, "All Hail the Power". The Annual Sermon was by H. H. Ruppe and his theme was "Following Jesus". A good sermon and much enjoyed by all.
7. Adjourned for lunch with prayer by Billie Smith.

AFTERNOON

1. The Association reassembled at 1:30. Song "How Firm a Foundation", led by W. W. Abernethy. Devotion by G. H. Dellinger.
2. W. M. S. Report. Adopted. Periodicals by Mack Hodge and he presented Charles Lawson from Gardner-Webb who ably discussed the subject and also told us about Christian Education.

3. Temperance Report by J. C. Brown. Bro. Brown made a good speech.
4. The delegation from Pineola had asked for a Committee to investigate some difference in their local church. The Moderator began to appoint a committee but after much discussion through the noon hour Bro. W. W. Abernethy made a motion to drop the matter and withdraw the committee. The motion carried without a dissenting voice as it was purely a local matter, and the Association nor anyone else has any right in anyone's church without an invitation from the church and pastor.
5. Rev. Mack Hodge was elected Director for the Brotherhood in the Association. Adjourned with prayer by F. W. Gaines.

PROCEEDINGS — AUGUST 9

1. The Association met with Chestnut Dale Church at 9:30 with Rev. J. C. Brown presiding. Devotion was by Grace Hall.
2. On motion made and carried the Association to meet at the same time on account of the school being in session at any later date. Visitors presented were Dr. W. K. McGee of the Hospital and Editor Marse Grant of the Children's Homes.
3. Report on Hospitals was read by Junior Smith, and Dr. McGee brought the message, and several others had some praise for the Hospital. Report on Children's Homes was by the Clerk and Bro. Marse Grant brought greetings from our children and made a good speech.
4. Report on Homes for the Aged was read and as Bro. Hayes had the day before brought the message, the report was adopted. Rev. Billie Smith was elected the representative for the Association.
5. Report on Relief and Annuity by D. N. Jones was adopted. Report on Cooperative Program by Howard Hodges. At this time Dr. M. A. Huggins came in and after greetings he brought us a fine message on the whole program and especially on the Tithing Program.
6. On motion Miss Grace Ollis was recommended for our V. B. S. Teacher for next year and to bring the report at next session. Rev. W. W. Abernethy was elected Training Union Director for the Association for the next year. Offering taken was $15.01 for Treasury.
7. On motion made and carried the Executive Committee will be the officers of the Association and all Pastors and one Layman, the Layman to be elected by the local church, (see Art. 8).
8. Adjourned with prayer by G. H. Dellinger.

AFTERNOON

1. Met at 1:15. Song led by Kenneth Johnson. The devotion was by Ernest Bustle who brought us a good message and told us something about our Home Mission Board and its work.
2. Obituaries was by Ed W. Buchanan, and Rev. Loyd Shell led in prayer. Report on Time and Place was adopted and also on Resolutions. At this time Ed W. Buchanan asked for Special Prayer for Bro. Marse Grant and his family, especially his little girl who is seriously ill. The prayer was led by Rev. W. W. Abernethy.
3. The Treasurer was asked if he had funds enough in sight to pay our obligations and the answer was no. The following churches made and paid the following pledges: Newland $5.00, Crossnore $5.00, Green Valley $5.00, Aaron $5.00, Beech Mountain $5.00, Pineola $5.00, Mt. Pleasant $5.00, Pleasant Hill $5.00, Belview $5.00, Minneapolis $5.00, Roaring Creek $5.00. It is recommended that each church send ten cents per resident member reported.
4. The Association adjourned a good session with song and fellowship and prayer by V. W. Greene.

HOWARD HODGES, Presiding

ED W. BUCHANAN, Clerk

RESOLUTIONS

Resolve that this Association extend our hearty thanks to Crossnore and Chestnut Dale Churches for kind hospitality and good dinners they served us.

Respectfully submitted,
R. T. Lewis
Earl Greene
V. W. Greene — Committee

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We recommend that the next session be held at Fall Creek the first day and at Roaring Creek the second day, being August 7th and 8th, 1958. G. H. Dellinger to preach the annual sermon, with Erbbie McKinney, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
Fritz Hall
Dewey Gouge
T. D. Grider — Committee

TREASURERS REPORT FOR LAST YEAR

Received from all	$217.78		
Paid for Printing Minutes		$160.00	
Paid for Clerk		50.00	
Paid for Postage		10.00	
Programs this year		9.00	
TOTAL PAID		$229.00	
Over Draft			$11.22
Offering Taken 8-8-57			20.94
Carried Forward		$ 9.65	
Received to date from Baptist State Convention for V. B. S. Teacher			$120.00
Paid			120.00

Ed W. Buchanan, Treasurer

SUGGESTED REPORT

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR AGING

This, the seventh year of operation of the Baptist Homes for the Aging, has been the greatest year of expansion, thanks to our Lord for His continued favor, and the North Carolina Baptists for their increased support.

The new Administration and Residential building was opened June 13. All rooms are now occupied, except in the infirmary.

The new building increased facilities to accommodate 112 residents, counting Resthaven at Winston-Salem, and the Albemarle Home. It also added half a million dollars to the value of the assets of the Homes for the Aging.

Another forward step was taken in July when the General Board voted unanimously to accept the offer of Don G. Matthews, Sr., Hamilton, to give fifty thousand ($50,000) dollars and land on which to build a Home for the Aging in Eastern North Carolina. The fourth Home will add space for approximately forty additional residents, thus bringing the total capacity to 150 residents.

Two wills have been probated in Forsyth County in which the Homes were remembered with sizeable gifts when received. Word has come of other wills in which the Homes will share.

About eighty-five thousand ($85,000) dollars has been received from the February Special Day Offering. This represents an average gift of ten (10c) cents per Baptist — 850,000 in number.

There has been one death in our Homes. The state of health of our residents has been remarkably good considering their ages, 65 to 97 years.

Respectfully submitted,
Charlie Woody

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

Our North Carolina Baptist Hospital is dedicated to the service of those in need of medical care, the education of young people in various branches of medical service, and the bearing of a Christian witness throughout North Carolina and the world.

Once more it has set a new record in its ministry to sick people. Last year it provided 123,000 days of bed care for 15,784 patients. There were 61,000 visits to the out-patient clinics and 60,000 visits to the private clinics. Service patients came from 92 of the 100 counties of our State. This represents specialized medical care in twenty-five different fields of medicine and surgery. It represents the services of skilled medical spcialists and special equipment in each of these fields. It represents a medical staff and equipment which, because of the many skills and the large investment involved, cannot be provided except in such a medical center. It provides medical service of the highest order for our people in North Carolina, whatever their financial circumstances may be.

The new Cobalt machine is in full operation, providing treatment for about 35 cancer patients each day. Our very fine plastic surgeon is doing highly skilled work, and our heart surgeon has performed successfully some of the newest and most difficult heart operations known. These services are typical of those offered by our Baptist Hospital.

If a person wishes to go to the Baptist Hospital for treatment, it is necessary that an appointment be made in advance. When an appointment is requested, accurate information must be given as to the general nature of the patient's problem and whether he needs to go through the out-patient clinic, rather than as a private or full-pay patient. The out-patient department is open to persons who are not able to pay the full cost of their medical care. In cases of emergency, or the need for immediate hospitalization, a local physician should always call or write the hospital in order that he may give the medical information required before the proper arrangements can be made. If a person will not be able to pay his full hospital bill when he leaves the hospital, definite financial arrangements should be made when he is admitted to the hospital and not left until later. This can prevent misunderstanding and unnecessary hardship.

It appears now that our churches of the State have made their largest Mother's Day offering this year. We are grateful for this because the needs for help have been greater than they have ever been before. Let us share in the ministry of our Baptist Hospital by giving generously of our prayers, our love, and our money.

Respectfully submitted,
Ira Hodges

1957 MOTHER'S DAY OFFERINGS — AVERY ASSOCIATION

Aaron	$ 38.91	Henson Creek	10.00
Beech Mountain	124.40	Jonas Ridge	13.60
Belview	25.00	Minneapolis	62.32
Big Meadows	32.34	Newland	20.00
Chestnut Dale	13.00	Oak Grove	12.00
Cranberry	35.13	Pleasant Hill	33.50
Crossnore	25.00	Pleasant Valley	5.00
Elk Park	25.00	Powder Mill	10.00
Elk Valley	25.00	Roaring Creek	5.00
Fail Creek	12.40	Sugar Mountain	15.00
Flat Springs	14.70	Valley Haven	17.06
		Whites Memorial	20.00

TEMPERANCE REPORT

At the last it biteth like a serpent and stingeth like an adder.
— Proverbs 23-22

Over four million chronic alcoholics whose distressing condition represents a potential loss of eight billion man hours, which at the new minimum wage scale of one dollar per hour equals eight billion dollars annually. More than thirty seven thousand (37,000) people are killed because of traffic accidents upon our highways and streets, of these, conservative estimates put the number slaughtered because of drinking drivers or because of pedestrians made careless by strong drink at twenty five percent (25%) or a total of 9,250. The total sum spent by American people for alcoholic beverages is above ten billion dollars ($10,000,000,000) per year. The picture cannot be presented in a few words, one must read the daily newspapers, visit the emergency wards of the hospitals, consult police officers, highway patrolmen, he must visit homes where hungry women and ragged children await with fearful hearts the homecoming of an alcoholic husband and father, he must sit in divorce courts beside juvenile judges and on juries in criminal courts. Why the awful picture? Because Society does not have wisdom enough to control the manufacture and use of this compound. How much is too much drinking for a driver? One drink is too much.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Brown

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT

To the Avery Association — August 8, 1957

There are 11 Training Unions in our Association, with something like 400 enrolled. One new.

Fourteen churches took part in the March study courses, with 291 enrolled. We feel that the study in Alcohol Education was a great success. We had 24 primary pupils who do not get awards, but we were so glad to have them. I am sure that they received a lot in their study. Two hundred and fifteen did meet the requirements for awards, and we had a mass meeting in the Newland church. Our B. T. U. Secretary was with us, and gave out the awards to the churches.

BAPTIST YOUTH NIGHT was observed with the Crossnore church with a right good attendance. We do so hope that all our churches will organize a Training Union and join in with us in our work of training in church membership. Having a union for all age groups, so no one will be left out of our training program.

May we set up an Associational Training Union organization with a leader for each age group from the nursery to the adult department.

What a Training Union should mean to all our churches is: All our people in all our work, training and learning by doing. Every church needs a Training Union, and should have them, for every church needs more trained workers in all of our work of the Kingdom . . . that we be better laborers together with God, rightly dividing the word of truth, unashamed and unafraid to stand for the truth of God at all times.

THEREFORE, we suggest and offer that we elect the following to help serve in this great work of our Association: Rev. Howard Hodge, Adult leader, Crossnore; Mr. Earl Green, Young Peoples leader, Pleasant Hill; Miss Doris Shell as Intermediate leader, Belview; Mr. Earl Carver, Junior leader, Elk Valley; Mrs. Geneva Hohor, Primary leader, Crossnore; and a Nursery leader.

Also we recommend that we have a Training Union mass meeting November 11 at 7:30 P. M., with the Pleasant Hill Church, and that we hold a mass meeting each quarter thereafter, being announced at each meeting where and when the next meeting will be held.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. Abernethy

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

The purpose of Vacation Bible School is to teach boys and girls from the ages of two to sixteen about the Bible. Proverbs 22:6—"Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Vacation Bible School is one means in which a child can receive this training. Often, it is in V. B. S. that a child receives his first knowledge of Christ and

His love. Many times, children attend V. B. S. who never have gone to Sunday School or Church. They find God's plan of salvation and accept it. They later become our best church members.

In our Association this year, there has been approximately seven (7) hundred boys and girls reached. Out of these seven hundred, there has been an average attendance of six hundred and forty. There have been twenty-six professions of faith and seven rededications. In each school there was a mission offering taken and sent to the Cooperative Program. These offerings total approximately $70.00. The following churches in the Avery Association have had schools this year: Belview, Pleasant Hill, Cranberry, Elk Park, Aaron, Valley Haven, Beech Mountain, Minneapolis, Big Meadows, Newland, Crossnore, and Whites Memorial. Other churches have scheduled a school which will be taught before the summer is over.

The Association is happy to see an increase in the number of schools this year; but in the coming year, it would be wonderful if our Association could report V. B. S. 100 percent in all churches.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Grace Ollis

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Sunday School Convention met with Aaron Church July 26 at 9:45. In the absence of the Superintendent, Pastor Billie Smith presided.

Song led by Frank Parsons and prayer by J. A. Webb. Roll Call and 15 Sunday Schools anwered with the following No. of delegates: Aaron, all; Belview, 9; Big Meadow, 6; Cranberry, 5; Crossnore, 5; Green Valley, 2; Minneapolis, 1; Mt. Pleasant, 2; Oak Grove, 1; Pineola, 1; Powder Mill, 2; Stamey Town, 5; Newland, 1; Yellow Mountain, 1.

On motion G. H. Dellinger was selected to preach the annual sermon at 11 A. M. County Superintendent's report was read by Rev. Billie Smith and adopted.

Committees appointed were: Resolutions, Mack Hodge, Charlie Woody and G. H. Dellinger. On Time and Place, Homer Calloway, J. A. Webb and Fritz Hall. Committee on Nominations could not get their report and nomination was made from the audience. J. A. Webb was elected superintendent for next year and Ed W. Buchanan was elected secretary.

On motion a Promotion Committee was elected to-wit: Homer Calloway, Chm., Dewey Gouge and Lambert Benfield. This Committee to work to get more interest in the convention.

The local superintendents present made their reports, and all did a bit of bragging on their Sunday Schools. Offering taken to pay for programs was $8.99.

The annual sermon was by G. H. Dellinger, and a wonderful and spiritual sermon was much enjoyed by all present. Bro. D. P. Brooks, the State Secretary

for the T. U., was presented by Kenneth Johnson and brought us a good message. Adjourned for lunch with prayer by Billie Smith.

AFTERNOON

After a good and well prepared lunch served on the church lawn, and an hour of fine fellowship, the Convention reassembled at 1:15. After a song and prayer by Frank Parsons the subjects were discussed—What Sunday School Has Meant To Me—by Billie Smith, Mack Hodge, Lee Sturgill and Ed W. Buchanan and others. A good subject and fine talks. Resolutions Committee report. Be it resolved that we express our appreciation for the fine dinner and the fine welcome we received from the church. Mack Hodge, G. H. Dellinger, Charlie Woody, Committee.

Time and Place report. We recommend that the next session be held on Friday before the 4th Sunday in July, it being July the 25th, 1958 with the Powder Mill Baptist Church, and that Rev. W. W. Abernethy preach the annual sermon, with Rev. Erbbie McKinney his alternate.

Homer Calloway, J. A. Webb, Fritz Hall — Committee.

Adjourned a good session with song and prayer by Billie Smith.

Rev Billie Smith, Presiding
Ed W. Buchanan, Secretary

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

Resolution

Be it Resolved that this Convention go on record as being opposed to every form of dancing in and on the campus of all our Baptist Colleges and we further recommend that the secretary notify the proper authorities of this action.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Mack Hodge
Rev. G. H. Dellinger
Rev. Charlie Woody — Committee

Superintendent's Report to Sunday School Convention

Sirs and Brethren:

A few statistics for fear you run out of patience before I can finish: There are twenty-nine Sunday Schools in the Avery Sunday School Association with an average enrollment of 84, with an average attendance of 62. I have visited in the last eight months every Sunday School in this Convention, travelled some 600 miles, made 36 visitations, with a love offering overall of $66.40.

The Sunday Schools of Avery County are a big business, consisting of some 1,800 students, with a potentiality of 3,600 additional, part of whom are Missionary Baptist in principle, among whom are many members of the Missionary

Baptist Church, many of whom, of course, are members of no church at all. The entire Sunday School financial needs, in order to put all of our Sunday Schools with sufficient classrooms and other accommodations, would require, in a conservative estimate, $80,000.00. Many of our churches need no assistance or repairs or additional class rooms. Too many of our church buildings are destitute of classrooms entirely. These stand in much need. I have found the treasury of too many Sunday Schools entirely too low. I have recommended to these Sunday Schools that have found it difficult in a financial way that they band themselves as men dedicated to our cause, that they sign jointly notes to some bank or private individual for at least $2,000.00, say twenty men band together in such an enterprise, each being responsible for $100.00 of such a loan with all responsible for the whole. Such an enterprise would, in my opinion, greatly increase the interest in our Sunday Schools in both regular attendance and additional support from those who do not feel responsible. I think this would double itself in twelve months financially and double the enrollment in each case. I have recommended and insisted upon our pastors, Sunday School Superintendents, in fact to all Christians, that they tithe in the truest and fullest sense of the Word (Bible). I have recommended and still do recommend to you that your Sunday Schools be particularly prayerful and use particular discretion in the selection of your Superintendents, Teachers, and leaders. That they be dedicated, consecrated, devout, open and above board Christians. If this is done, the influence of such officers and leaders cannot help but advance the cause of our Baptist people in Avery County.

At this time I wish to express my sincere appreciation to the pastors and superintendents of this Association for the warm welcome and hearty cooperation rendered to me this past year. I wish to particularly thank Brother Abernethy, Brother Ted Braswell, Brother Harold Dellinger, Brother Garfield Hughes, and Brother W. W. Braswell, who have bent over backwards in helping me to carry on this work. I want to call special mention to Brother R. T. Lewis, Brother D. Buchanan, Brother Conard Cook, my son Felton Sudderth, who is superintendent at my home church, Brother Dewey Hughes, Brother R. F. Horney, Brother J. A. Webb, Brother Dewey Gouge, and others whom I cannot remember at this time, for their loyal support.

Respectfully submitted,
Lloyd W. Sudderth, Supt.

REPORT ON MISSIONS - 1956

Avery Baptist Association

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath appointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the broken-hearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, to preach the acceptable year of the Lord." (Luke 4: 18-19). This is the program of Jesus. This was his mission. "As my

father hath sent me even so send I you." (John 20:2b). This becomes the program, the mission of every follower of Christ. "Missions", we are told, is the organized effort to spread Christianity. We, the Baptists, identify our work as Community, Associational, State, Home and Foreign Missions. We believe that home is a good place to start but a bad place to stop. We must witness at home and at the same time abroad. "The brighter the light shines at home, the brighter it shines away from home."

Foreign Missions

For the first time in the history of Southern Baptists, the number of foreign missionaries has reached the one thousand mark. On May 15, 1956, the number stood at 1,020, including 104 appointments during 1955. A loss of 28 missionaries leaves an increase of 71 since January 1, 1955.

To step up the annual number of appointments, the Foreign Mission Board is placing major emphasis on life commitment to special Christian service. Young people who feel the call of God to lifetime service will be asked to consider foreign service in harvest fields where laborers are fewest.

Missionaries of the Board live in 182 centers in 35 geographical areas. Their service touches innumerable surrounding villages and towns. Statistics from the current annual report show 3,776 outstations. They also show 22,125 baptisms last year in 2,268 churches made up of more than 209,000 members served by more than 1,400 national and more than 120 missionary pastors. Church organizations (Sunday schools, women's and young people's groups) total more than 9,600 with more than 279,000 members. There are 544 schools with more than 85,400 students, including 23 seminaries with more than 970 enrolled. We have 11 hospitals and 28 clinics, which treated more than 226,500 patients last year. Publishing houses on mission fields turned out more than 9,385,000 pieces of literature, including books, magazines, and pamphlets.

Out of a total of $10,750,000 contributed by Southern Baptists through the Cooperative Program last year, $4,750,123 went to Foreign Missions Board. In addition, Southern Baptists contributed to Foreign Missions $1,539,230 in designated gifts and $3,750,000 through the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering.

Home Missions

A summary of the work done by missionaries of the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention during 1955 indicated more than 1,324 missionaries, more than 370 of whom were summer student missionaries, serving 10 weeks or more than 954 regular missionaries. There was a gain of 21 missionaries during the year. Conversions reported by missionaries number more than 35,000, and the number added to churches was more than 31,000. Missionaries assisted in the constitution of 359 churches and opened more than 400 new missions.

In the field of Direct Missions, the Home Mission Board ministers to Chinese, the deaf, French, Indians, Italians, Japanese, Russians, Spanish-speaking people, and other isolated and neglected groups. Through Rescue Missions and Good Will Centers, as well as through missions and churches, home missionaries seek to win the lost to Christ.

The Department of Cooperative Missions conducts conferences in cooperation with state convention forces and promotes city missions, rural church work, mountain missions, western and pioneer missions, a service to broken homes and juvenile delinquents, a ministry to military personnel, a trailer camp ministry, and provides a correspondence Bible course.

In Negro work, evangelism, and Jewish work the Board extends its ministry to missions of Americans in a vital service.

Other ministries of the Board include Alaska, Cuba, Panama and Canal Zone, Migrants, summer student missions and western missions.

THE COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

For thirty years the Cooperative Program has been our major Southern Baptist channel of supporting all our missionary educational and benevolent work. The Cooperative Program was adopted by the Southern Baptist Convention in Memphis, Tennessee, May 13, 1925.

Through the Cooperative Program Southern Baptists have contributed in these thirty-one years over two hundred sixty-six million dollars $266,000,000).

With the dollars you give through the Cooperative Program you literally "go into all the world". You preach, teach, minister to the sick and needy, train church leaders and Missionaries, and give the gospel to men of every race in our country and around the world.

Southern Baptists are growing in their support of the Cooperative Program. Although many churches still have no part in support of the program of world missions through the Cooperative Program, the number of such churches is growing smaller each year. There is an increasing awareness of spiritual need beyond one's own church and community. There is an increasing concern about the proportion being expended on the local programs of the churches in comparison with what is given for the whole world beyond one's own church. This concern is revealed by the fact that of each dollar given we spend 86 cents on ourselves and only 14 cents is given for the whole world.

What can be done to increase our support of the local church programs and of world missions?

We offer the following recommendations suggested to us by the committee on the Cooperative Program:

1. That every church plan to observe Church and Denomination Night on a convenient night this fall.

2. That every church plan a Stewardship Revival, October 30 - November 6 or nearest convenient week.

3. That every church have a budget.

4. That every church include gifts to missions through the Cooperative Program in this budget for a certain percentage of the total budget, rather than for a certain number of dollars.

5. That every church prayerfully consider increasing the percentage going to missions through the Cooperative Program each year.

Statistics reveal that Southern Baptists are growing in their stewardship more rapidly than any other major denomination in America.

HOWARD HODGES

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the Firmament, and they that turn many to Righteousness as the Stars forever and ever.—Dan: 12-3.

Go ye therefore and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost. — Mat. 28-1. The most vital of all things for us as Christians is that of winning others for Christ.

Not as many unsaved people attend church service or revivals as they did in the past. It seems that we are going to have to take the gospel to the people. Emphasis is in the Bible and on the Christians taking the Gospel to them. The question is how are we going about reaching them with the message of salvation, through the Sunday School and Brotherhood and other organizations of the church nothing will take the place of personal contact. It is a great task, let us go at it with all our hearts.

Respectfully submitted,
R. L. Painter

BAPTIST HOMES FOR CHILDREN

The Baptist Children's Homes are dearly loved by all Baptists and one cause to which we should give our loyal support.

The need grows with the years, so let us as Baptists of Avery County pray for our children and give our money and produce so that we may have a little part in caring for the children in our homes.

For Jesus said "Suffer the little children to come unto me". A good offering was sent last year and let's remember at Thanksgiving to send another good offering.

Respectfully submitted,
George Johnson, Rep.

W. M. U. OFFICERS

SUPERINTENDENT ..... MRS. J. T. TANNER
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There are some reports left out on account of a few lengthy ones by some of the brethren. Hope no on will feel slighted. Thanks. (Clerk).

OBITUARIES

For the day of death is better than the day of ones birth.
—Eccl. 7-1

Since our last meeting 28 of our brothers and sisters have gone to their reward, to-wit:

BELVIEW—Mrs. Susie Davis.

BIG MEADOW—Mrs. Nancy Benfield.

CHESTNUT DALE—Mrs. Ivey Johnson, Mrs. Bud Ledford.

CRANBERRY—Mr. Landon McKinney, Mrs. Bernice Henson.

CROSSNORE—Deacon J. H. Vance, Lawrence Henson.

OAK GROVE—Mrs. Jessie Buchanan, Mr. Albert Johnson, Mr. Ted Brown, Mr. W. B. Ollis, Mr. Julius Davis.

PLEASANT HILL—Mrs. Louisa Buchanan.

PLEASANT VALLEY—Mr. Edward Guinn, Mr. Gurnie Holsclaw.

ROARING CREEK—Mrs. Texie Stanley, Mr. Bill Hughes.

VALLEY HAVEN—Mr. R. F. Marshall.

YELLOW MOUNTAIN—Mr. Stephen Buchanan, Miss Nola Benfield, Mrs. Cora Stafford.

Ed W. Buchanan,
Committee

HISTORICAL AND STATISTICAL TABLES

Historical Table

Year	Meeting Place	Moderator	Clerk	Sermon
1912	Aaron	W. H. Ollis	W. M. Francum	D. A. Greene
1913	Pleasant Hill	S. M. Pittman	D. Buchanan	W. R. Beach
1914	Big Meadows	C. C. Bryant	D. Buchanan	S. M. Johnson
1915	Jonas Ridge	W. H. Ollis	D. Buchanan	C. A. Martin
1916	Yellow Mountain	W. H. Ollis	D. Buchanan	R. T. Vann
1917	Roaring Creek	D. A. Greene	D. Buchanan	M. L. Buchanan
1918	Green Valley	D. A. Greene	D. Buchanan	N. S. Hampton
1919	Crossnore	D. A. Greene	D. Buchanan	D. A. Greene
1920	Minneapolis	S. M. Pittman	D. Buchanan	W. R. Cullom
1921	Beeck Mountain	R. T. Lewis	D. Buchanan	N. S. Hampton
1922	Pleasant Hill	R. T. Lewis	D. Buchanan	L. W. Hall
1923	Newland	N. S. Hampton	D. Buchanan	D. R. Kilgore
1924	Elk Valley	N. S. Hampton	D. Buchanan	H. T. Stevens
1925	Chesterdale	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	J. W. P. Hill
1926	Green Valley	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	L. W. Hall
1927	Big Meadow	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	J. M. Whitaker
1928	Jonas Ridge	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	J. Henline
1929	Yellow Mountain	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	E. M. Johnson
1930	Roaring Creek	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	S. M. Pittman
1931	Aaron	K. L. Haga	Ed. W. Buchanan	K. L. Haga
1932	Crossnore	K. L. Haga	Ed. W. Buchanan	K. L. Haga
1933	Powdermill	Ed. W. Buchanan	Ruth E. Hester	G. D. Danner
1934	Mount Pleasant	Ed. W. Buchanan	W. W. Braswell	W. R. Davis
1935	Beech Mountain	Ed. W. Buchanan	W. W. Braswell	Paul Roberts
1936	Pineola	G. D. Danner	K. L. Haga	J. G. Benfield
1937	Flat Springs	G. D. Danner	K. L. Haga	J. C. Owen
1938	Green Valley	V. W. Greene	J. L. Banner	J. A. Brown
1939	Fall Creek	V. W. Greene	J. L. Banner	G. D. Danner
1940	Newland	V. W. Greene	K. L. Haga	R. D. Painter
1941	Yellow Mountain	V. W. Greene	K. L. Haga	K. L. Haga
1942	Elk Valley	V. W. Greene	D. Buchanan	Spencer McCloud
1943	Belview	R. T. Teague	D. Buchanan	J. C. Brown
1944	Elk Park	R. T. Teague	D. Buchanan	W. W. Ward
1945	Pleasant Hill and Minneapolis	R. L. Painter	K. L. Haga	Jeff Pyatt
1946	Jonas Ridge and Oak Grove	D. N. Jones	D. Buchanan	W. F. Smith
1947	Cranberry	D. N. Jones	D. Buchanan	Frank Brown
1948	Powdermill	V. W. Greene	Ed. W. Buchanan	Dayton Jones
1949	Crossnore and Mt. Pleasant	D. N. Jones	Ed. W. Buchanan	Ben Wood
1950	Aaron and Newland	J. W. Costner	Ed. W. Buchanan	W. F. Smith
1951	Elk Valley and Valley Haven	J. C. Brown	Ed. W. Buchanan	A. G. Brooks
1952	Sugar Mtn. and Big Meadow	Mack Hodge	Ed. W. Buchanan	D. N. Jones
1953	Belview and Minneapolis	Mack Hodge	Ed. W. Buchanan	Ira Hodges
1954	Fairview and Whites Memorial	Mack Hodge	Ed. W. Buchanan	Victor Trivette
1955	Flat Springs and Beech Mtn.	Mack Hodge	Ed. W. Buchanan	Victor Trivette
1955	Flat Springs Beech Mtn.	Mack Hodge	Ed W. Buchanan	Bruce Buchanan
1956	Pleasant Hill Newland	D. N. Jones	Ed W. Buchanan	Howard Hodges
1957	Crossnore Chestnut Dale	Ira Hodges	Ed W. Buchanan	H. H. Ruppe

TABLE A. CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location Rural-V-T-C	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-Resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor for full year or not)
Aaron	V		Billie Smith	2	5		97	23	120	1	443
Beech Mountain	R	2-4	L. W. Hagaman, Reece			11	127	32	159	1	663
Belview	R	1-3	G. H. Dellinger, Newland Rt. 1	7	5	2	73	54	127	2	600
Big Meadow	R	3	Charlie Woody, Spruce Pine	5		2	57	103	160		443
Chestnut Dale	R	2-4	None Reported			4	37	18	45		360
Cranberry	V	1-3	Erby McKinney, Bakersville	10	2	4	118	58	176	2	780
Crossnore	T	All	Howard Hodges, Crossnore	7	5	8	159	98	257	2	3296
Elk Park	T	-	None Reported								
Elk Valley	R	1-3	D. N. Jones, Elk Park Rt. 1	12	6		107	76	198	1	720
Fall Creek	R	1-3	Ronder Earp, Vilas	1	1	6			240	1	600
Fairview	R	1-3	Garfield Hughes, Newland Rt. 1	2	2	3	64	14	78	1	218
Flat Springs	R	2-4	Ronder Earp, Vilas	2		2	170	65	235	1	383
Green Valley	R	1-3	Lloyd Shell, Marion		1		102	49	151	1	558
Henson Creek	R	2-4	Lee Pittman, Spruce Pine						111	2	420
Jonas Ridge	V	1-3	J. A. Revels, Hickory	2	1	3	40	10	50	2	390
Minneapolis	V	2-4	D. N. Jones, Elk Park	3		3	110	31	141	1	860
Mt. Pleasant	T	2-4	L. W. Hagaman, Reece	3		2	103	50	153	1	900
Newland	T	All	W. W. Abernethy, Newland	7	6	16	164	71	235		3380
Oak Grove	V	2-4	Frank Parsons, Bakersville		1				120		360
Pineola	V	2-4	Frank Parsons, Bakersville								360
Pleasant Hill	R	1-3	Mack Hodge, Bakersville	10	5	10	256	120	276	2	2400
Pleasant Valley	R	1-3	Rusel Potter, Elizabethton, Tenn.			6	51	85	136		144
Powder Mill	R	1-3	G. H. Dellinger, Newland Rt. 3	9	1	6			84	2	573
Roaring Creek	R	2-4	Guy Blair, Newland Rt. 1	1		2	98	18	119	1	59
Stamey Town	R	2-4	Charlie Woody, Spruce Pine	1			24	10	34	1	375
Sugar Mountain	R	2-4	L. P. Hass, Lenoir				31	9	40	1	261
Valley Haven	R	1-4	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk	10	4	10	63	30	93		239
Whites Memorial	R	2-4	William Grindstaff, Spruce Pine	7	8	1	92	10	102		420
Yellow Mountain	R	-	G. H. Dellinger, Newland	7	6	3	80	20	113		520
Totals		-		108	59	104	2223	1054	3753	26	20581

TABLE B. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	Officers Not Counted in Classes and Departments	Grand Total Sunday School Enrolment	Average Attendance	Vacation Bible School Enrolment	Average Attendance V.B.S.
Aaron	Felton Sudderth, Montezuma			14	14	10	22		24		13	97	97	52	47
Beech Mountain	Truman Church, Elk Park Rt. 1			11	13	20		25		34	2	105	61		
Belview	Dewey Gouge, Cranberry	4	7	10	11	8	15			52	9	116	81	42	41
Big Meadow	Junior Cook, Newland Rt. 3		14	17		10	10			32	2	90	77	50	48
Chestnut Dale	J. D. Isaacs, Newland Rt. 2	2	1	3	10	4	7		7	30		64	48		
Cranberry	Mrs. E. L. McCourry, Cranberry	3	11	11	15	16	15	15		33		119	88	51	45
Crossnore	J. A. Webb, Crossnore	4	23	32	17	11	27	22	38	34	14	222	162	109	90
Elk Park															
Elk Valley	Ernest McGuire, Elk Park Rt. 1		4	12	20	12	12		25	5		90	70		
Fall Creek	D. C. Cook, Elk Park Rt. 1		10	6	19		19		32			200	82		
Fairview	Dewey Hughes, Spruce Pine Rt. 2				42			20		47		109	80		
Flat Springs	Cleo Jones, Elk Park Rt. 1		21		18	26	15	14		53	1	143	97		
Green Valley	Roland McClellan, Newland Rt. 3	6	12	10	9	8		15		20	2	82	65		
Henson Creek	Hobert Dellinger, Newland Rt. 3		15		8		15		12	15		65	55		
Jonas Ridge	H. R. Clark, Jonas Ridge		4	3	8	10	5		15			45	40		
Minneapolis	R. T. Lewis, Minneapolis											122	110	44	36
Mt. Pleasant	R. F. Horney, Newland		25		18	15	10	15	15	20		125	75		
Newland	Bruce Daniels, Newland		22	18	30	23	3	20		50		166	106	110	86
Oak Grove	Scott Taylor, Newland			10		10		30		25		85	65		
Pineola													75		
Pleasant Hill	Ed W. Buchanan, Minneapolis	4	18	10	15	15	15	10	80		2	169	135	82	80
Pleasant Valley	Noah Hicks, Elk Park	4	10	8	6	12			12			52	30		
Powder Mill	Howard Thomas, Newland Rt. 1		10		10		20			20		60	50		
Roaring Creek	Verl Hughes, Newland Rt. 1	5	8	10	8	10			16	14		75	65		
Stamey Town	Harold Dellinger, Newland Rt. 2		15	12	8		20			14		69	60		
Sugar Mountain	Floyd Banner, Newland Rt. 2			4	11	5			10	10	9	50	35		
Valley Haven	L. D. Draughan, Banner Elk		12		10	20				30		42	42	48	48
Whites Memorial	Olin Burleson, Newland Rt. 3	6	10	8	9		15	12	11	30	2	95	60	70	60
Yellow Mountain	Austin Buchanan, Plumtree		24	20		16			30			63	63		
Totals		40	279	229	298	281	245	199	327	568	56	2698	2014	658	581

TABLE C. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults, 25-34	Adults, 35 and up	General Officers Enrolled	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance
Cranberry	Mrs. Edyth Brown, Cranberry	4		6	8	6			6	6	36	30
Crossnore	Harold Henson, Crossnore	12	11	18	22	28	8	10	15	9	122	50
Elk Valley	Fred Blair, Banner Elk	5	9	11	11	11		9		4	60	30
Fall Creek	N. E. Cook, Elk Park Rt. 1	5		12		15		23		2	55	50
Newland	Rudd Bare, Newland		3	10	14				22	3	52	50
Pleasant Hill	Howard Isaacs, Minneapolis	5	5	18		10		12	16	2	68	54
Sugar Mountain	Louise Banner, Newland Rt. 2				5		15	5			25	15
Valley Haven	Will Blair, Banner Elk										37	37
Whites Memorial	Ted Braswell, Jr., Spruce Pine Rt. 2	5	4	5		6		30	10	2	60	40
Totals		36	32	80	60	76	23	89	69	28	515	356

TABLE D. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W. M. S. AND ADDRESSES	W. M. S. Units	G. A. Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled
Belview	Rhetta Gouge, Cranberry	1		9	1	9
Crossnore	Mrs. Howard Hodges, Crossnore	1				27
Newland	Mrs. Vance Buchanan, Newland	1		19	1	19
Pleasant Hill	Mrs. John Atwell, Newland Rt. 1	1	12	15	1	27
Totals		4	12	43	3	32

TABLE E. BROTHERHOOD WORK

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Total Men	No. Junior R. A. Chapters	Junior R. A. Enrolment	No. Intermediate R. A. Chapters	Total R. A. Enrolment	Grand Total Enrolment
Crossnore	William Aldridge, Crossnore	24	24		10	10	30	50
Newland	Eugene Garland, Newland	55	55	1	10	10	20	75
Pleasant Hill	Earl Greene, Newland, Rt. 1	35	35	1	12		12	47
Totals		114	114	2	32	20	62	172

TABLE G & H. TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Total Gifts for All Purposes	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary)	Maintenance, Insurance, Repair, etc.	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses (Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary (Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense
Aaron	W. W. Braswell, Montezuma		104	772		38				192	1106	443	1549
Beech Mountain	Truman Church, Elk Park Rt. 1	1492	65	241		64	88	74		10	541	663	1492
Belview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry	2358	96	383	148	109	147	105		75	1063	576	1639
Big Meadow	L. W. Carpenter, Newland Rt. 3	2556			418	74	519	186	234			443	2363
Chestnut Dale	Clarence Johnson, Newland Rt. 1	727		6	67					124	197	360	557
Cranberry	Mildred Greene, Cranberry	2201	291	21	688	139	20	170		62	1370	780	2150
Crossnore	Mrs. Nell Aldridge, Crossnore	7523	120	222		367	35	86	1858	520	3208	2432	5640
Elk Park													
Elk Valley	Mrs. Floy Aldridge, Banner Elk	1512	82	41				198		214	625	720	1345
Fall Creek	Mrs. Bulah Dugger, Elk Park Rt. 1	1596	180	45	422	101		96		125	971	600	1572
Fairview	Avery Hollman, Spruce Pine Rt. 2	511	95	162		16				20	293	220	511
Flat Springs	J. M. Harmon, Beech Creek	774	60			16		36		158	270	383	654
Green Valley	Wise Hall, Spruce Pine Rt. 1	2952		113	1848	46	15	89		73	2183	558	2741
Henson Creek	Paul Dellinger, Newland Rt. 3	1159			390	36		140	60	93	718	420	1140
Jonas Ridge	Grace Rose, Jonas Ridge	5480		94	5000	42	32	166			5334	390	5724
Minneapolis	R. T. Lewis, Minneapolis	2939	145	22	71	45	350	283		201	1492	860	2352
Mt. Pleasant	Edward Burleson, Newland Rt. 3	2336		43		57	304	70	612	176	1261	900	2160
Newland	Finley Banner, Newland	10863	220	130		407	267		2828	877	4728	3380	8821
Oak Grove	Mrs. Duard Cornett, Newland	820	60		165	120				90	235	360	785
Pineola	Mrs. Roger Franklin, Pineola	488								198	338	360	748
Pleasant Hill	Roy Ollis, Newland Rt. 1	7115	280	246	1086	131	247	492	1500	380	4362	2400	6762
Pleasant Valley	Robt. Hicks, Elk Park	217				25				38	63	144	207
Powder Mill	Tom J. Greene, Newland Rt. 1	934				78		105		157	341	573	914
Roaring Creek	Evia Hughes, Newland Rt. 1	692		18	33	32		46		500	629	59	688
Stamey Town	Mrs. Claud Pyatt, Altamont	3185	52			34		37	1300	1200	2670	375	3045
Sugar Mountain	Marie Braswell, Newland Rt. 2	664	60	19		37	50	145		37	348	261	609
Valley Haven	Betty Draughan, Banner Elk	1582		61	490	113		82	435	111	1292	254	1548
Whites Memorial	Fred Robinson, Ingalls	1683	96	75	295	89	238	225	233	89	1206	420	1626
Yellow Mountain	T. J. Greene, Plumtree	1720	208	359		64	240	97		60	1028	520	1548
Totals		66099	2214	3073	11121	2280	2552	2928	9060	5780	37922	20354	60890

TABLE I & J. MISSION EXPENDITURES & TOTAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational Missions	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Orphans Home	Designated Hospitals	Other objects Relief and Annuity, etc.	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes
Aaron	W. W. Braswell, Montezuma							13	39		52	1601
Beech Mountain	M. D. Moore, Elk Park Rt. 1			14	12	12	10	25	124	35	233	1438
Belview	Julius Ollis, Cranberry		10	38	18	36		100	25	40	267	1906
Big Meadow	Mrs. L. W. Carpenter, Newland Rt. 3							161	32		193	2464
Chestnut Dale	J. C. Isaacs, Newland Rt. 1	5							13		13	568
Cranberry	O. L. Wright, Cranberry	5						16	35		51	2201
Crossnore	Mrs. William Aldridge, Crossnore	420		20	13	40		20	25	10	548	6188
Elk Park												
Elk Valley	Luther Riddle, Banner Elk				22			100	46		168	1513
Fall Creek	F. L. Crawford, Elk Park Rt. 1							12	13		25	1597
Fairview	Mrs. Jeff Woody, Spruce Pine Rt. 2											511
Flat Springs	J. M. Harmon, Beech Creek							73	15	29	117	770
Green Valley	Mrs. Fritz Hall, Spruce Pine Rt. 2				136			54	7	14	211	2952
Henson Creek	Mrs. Delora Buchanan, Newland Rt. 3							10	10		20	1159
Jonas Ridge	Mrs. Grace Rose, Jonas Ridge							140	20		160	5884
Minneapolis	Helen Grindstaff, Minneapolis						12	100	63	304	479	2831
Mt. Pleasant	Loren Burleson, Newland Rt. 3							40	30	3	73	2233
Newland	Ruth Caloway, Newland	155	5	10	10	10		145	20	358	713	8821
Oak Grove	Duard Cornett, Newland							12	13		25	819
Pineola	Mrs. R. W. Moir, Pineola	40						30	15	15	100	488
Pleasant Hill	Lawrence Ollis, Newland Rt. 1		20			120		132	33	25	330	7119
Pleasant Valley	Mrs. Walter Hicks, Elk Park							5	6		11	218
Powder Mill	George Watson, Newland Rt. 1							10	10		20	935
Roaring Creek	Evia Hughes, Newland Rt. 1								5		5	688
Stamey Town	Mrs. Claud Pyatte, Newland Rt. 3	9						11	8	10	38	3132
Sugar Mountain	Mrs. Hugh Braswell, Newland Rt. 2				5			9	15	17	46	655
Valley Haven	T. B. Perry, Banner Elk							9	17		26	1582
Whites Memorial	Mrs. Hubert Carpenter, Newland Rt. 3							20	25		45	1683
Yellow Mountain	Wade Buchanan, Newland Rt. 3											1548
Totals		634	35	82	216	218	22	1247	664	860	3969	63504

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Next session will be held with Elk Park Church, August 6th, 1959 and with Cranberry Church on August 7th, 1959.

DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

Moderator—Rev. Howard Hughes ..... Cranberry

Vice Moderator—Rev. Vivian Greene ..... Cranberry

Clerk-Treasurer—W. W. Braswell ..... Newland

Historian—Bruce Daniels ..... Newland

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee is the Officers of the Association and all Pastors serving in our Association and one layman from each church. Laymen to be elected by the local church.

COMMITTEES TO REPORT AT NEXT SESSION

Cooperative Program ..... W. W. Abernethy

Periodicals ..... Mack Hodges

Temperance ..... Ile Greene

Education ..... Roby Painter

Woman's Missionary Union ..... Mrs. J. T. Tanner

Sunday Schools ..... J. A. Webb

Training Union ..... Howard Isaac

Vacation Bible School ..... Grace Ollis

Brotherhood ..... Herman Dellinger

Baptist Homes for Children ..... Lloyd Sudderth

Homes for the Aged ..... Charlie Woody

Evangelism .....

Obituaries ..... Mrs. Beatrice Banner

Finance ..... W. W. Braswell

Hospitals ..... Ira Hodges

Music ..... Kenneth Johnson

Relief and Annuity ..... G. H. Dellinger

Executive Committee ..... Howard T. Hodges

DELEGATES LISTED

AARON: L. W. Sudderty, W. W. Braswell, John Hayes.

BEECH MOUNTAIN: Mr. Harvie Bowman, Truman Church, Omer Trivett.

BELVIEW: Lusk Henson, Jess Cook, Flossie Gouge.

BIG MEADOWS: Mrs. Jones Stamey, Mrs. Ada Johnson, Levada Carpenter.

CHESTNUT DALE: J. C. Isaacs, Geter Isaacs, Lula Isaacs.

CRANBERRY: Mrs. Edythe Brown, B. H. Nicely, O. L. Wright.

CROSSNORE: George Johnson, John Webb, Kenneth Johnson.

ELK PARK: Mrs. J. T. Tanner, Troy Trivett, Mrs. Dale Shook.

ELK VALLEY: Charlie Erwin, L. R. Aldridge, Ernest McGuire.

FALL CREEK: Herby Smith, Junior Smith, George Crawford.

FAIRVIEW: Lee Cook, Lonzo Woody, Flossie Hughes.

FLAT SPRINGS: J. M. Harmon, A. G. McGuire, Allen Bunton.

GREEN VALLEY: Mrs. Fritz Hall, Roland McClellan, Dent Weatherman.

HENSON CREEK: Lee Burleson, Paul Dellinger, Joe Houston.

JONAS RIDGE: J. D. Clark, L. T. Shell, Arthur Rose.

MINNEAPOLIS: Ed Lewis, Virginia Young, R. T. Lewis.

MT. PLEASANT: Robert Carpenter, R. F. Horney, Harrison Horney, Jr.

NEWLAND: Mrs. Bob Banner, Mrs. C. M. Lecka, R. A. Shoemaker.

OAK GROVE: Arthur Ledford, Scott Taylor, Millie Garland.

PINEOLA: Mrs. Roger Franklin, Mrs. Ira Vance, George Smith.

PLEASANT HILL: Mrs. Lum Buchanan, Molt Buchanan, Mrs. Ernest Hughes.

PLEASANT VALLEY: Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hicks, Warnie Gwynn.

POWDER MILL: George Watson, Mrs. Will McKinney, Howard Thomas.

ROARING CREEK: Verl Hughes, Rev. Guy Blair, Rev. Garfield Hughes.

STAMEY TOWN: Mrs. Mason Carpenter, Mrs. Vernie Harmon, G. H. Dellinger.

SUGAR MOUNTAIN: Mr. Linney Braswell, Mrs. Dollie Braswell, David Banner.

VALLEY HAVEN: Mary Ann Perry, Sherry Street, William Blair.

WHITES MEMORIAL: Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Ingram, Olin Burleson.

YELLOW MOUNTAIN: Austin Buchanan, Dixie Pritchard, Claude Stafford.

CONSTITUTION

Art. 1. This body shall be known as the Avery County Baptist Association.

Membership

Art. 2. The membership shall consist of duly elected delegates from the various churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of 100 members or less shall be entitled to three delegates, and every additional fifty or major fraction an additional delegate.

Objects

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing harmony, the intelligence and Spiritual power of the churches and for directing and developing their gifts in advancing the Redeemer's Kingdom in the earth.

Power and Prerogatives

Art. 4. The Association shall not have power to infringe upon the sovergnity or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical legislature, nor council, nor court of appeals. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption but cannot bind them in any way, yet in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes not orthodox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by delegates or letter more than two successive sessions without sufficient reason, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon applications of a church for admission.

Rights of Churches

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent Church of Jesus Christ. As consistent members of the Association, the churches have the rights to advise when desired in a case of difficulty and to suggest plans to usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

Duties of the Churches

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates as far as practicable their most capable members, to insist upon their attendance and to send by them a contribution to the Association funds to pay for printing minutes and other necessary expenses. It shall be the duty of the churches to have their associational letter read and approved and mailed to the Clerk of the Association 10 days before time for the Association to meet.

Officers

Art. 8. The officers of the Association shall be: Moderator, Vive Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer (one person), Historian, Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Music Director, and an Executive Committee consisting of the officers of the Association, and all Pastors and one layman from each church. The layman to be elected by the local Church. Their terms of office to begin at the conclusion of the session at which they are elected and continue till the close of the next session. All officers provided for in this article to be members of a Baptist Church belonging to this Association.

Duties of the Officers

Art. 9. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the time appointed, to enforce the rules, to keep order and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles established by parliamentary usage.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to assist the Moderator in the executive rulings of the Associational Meetings and in the absence of the Moderator to serve as presiding officer.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep faithful record of the proceedings of the body and together with a publishing committee which shall consist of the Moderator and two other members of the Association, publish the minutes and other important documents belonging to the Body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Historian to preserve important data of the Association.

Art. 13. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members.

RULES OF ORDER

I. Meetings

1. The Association shall meet annually at the time and place of its own selection.

2. During each session the Association shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hour fixed by the Body.

3. All meetings shall be opened and closed with a devotional period.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No person shall speak more than twice and not longer than twenty minutes on any subject without permission of the Body.

6. No member shall be allowed to stand up, talk, read or move about during the business except to gain or impart information on the subject under discussion.

II. Business

1. Call the roll of the churches and enrolled delegates.

2. Reading of letters shall be referred to Committee on State of Churches.

3. Investigate the failure of churches to be represented at the previous meetings.

4. Receive new churches.

5. Invite visitors to be seated.

6. Fill any vacancy in organization.

7. Appointment of Committees.

8. Adopt and follow report of Committee on Order of Business as to subjects and discussion.

9. Election of officers.

10. Miscellaneous business shall be provided for at the pleasure of the Body.

11. All Customs of order herein provided for shall be decided by the rules of Mell's Parliamentary Practice.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-SEVENTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE AVERY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

AUGUST 7

1. The Avery County Baptist Association met with Fall Creek Baptist Church on Thursday, August 7th, 1958 at 9:30 a. m. Rev. Howard Hodges, Vice-Moderator called the meeting to order and presided due to the physical incapacity of Rev. Clate Brown, Moderator. Rhonda Earp conducted the opening session by reading and commenting on the first twelve verses of the 5th chapter of Matthew.

2. The Moderator read a letter from Bro. Ed Buchanan tendering his resignation as Clerk of the Association, due to his poor state of health. On motion of Rev. W. W. Abernethy a standing vote of thanks and gratitude was given Mr. Buchanan for nineteen years of faithful services as Clerk to the Association. The Moderator appointed W. W. Braswell to fill the unexpired term of Mr. Buchanan.

3. The roll of Churches was called and all twenty nine churches answered present with letters of report and delegates. New Pastors were introduced and welcomed as follows: Rev. Haskel Ingram of Elk Park Church and Rev. Roby Painter of Yellow Mountain Church. The following visitors were recognized and introduced and welcomed into the Association: Wade Boone, M. W. Gordon, George Smith, William Hodges and Earl Collins.

4. The Moderator appointed the following committees at this time: Resolutions, Rev. W. W. Abernethy, Roby T. Lewis, and Rev. Frank Parsons. Time, place and preacher, J. C. Isaac, Jess Cook, and Rev. Billie Smith.

5. The report on the program was given by Bro. Howard Hodges and the program was adopted with rights to vary the order of the work in order to convenience some who were to participate.

6. The report on Christian Education was deferred until tomorrow. The report on Christian Literature was given by W. W. Braswell, orally and Rev. Howard Hodges spoke on the subject. At this time Rev. W. W. Abernethy spoke on the Retirement Plan for Pastors and encouraged the churches of Avery County to adopt the retirement plan for their Pastors. Mr. Elliott Gordon of Gardner-Webb College then spoke on Christian Education and

brought a very inspiring address. The annual sermon was brought by Rev. G. H. Dellinger from II Peter, chapter 3, II Thessalonians 2, verse 3 and Matthew 24. Theme: "The Day and Time of Our Lord".

7. Meeting adjourned for lunch.

AFTERNOON

1. The Association reassembled at 1:30 p. m., and in the absence of Rev. D. N. Jones, the Devotional lesson was given by Rev. Vivian Greene from Matthew 9 verses 27 to 36.

2. The report on Childrens Home was given by Rev. W. W. Abernethy and was spoken on by Dr. W. R. Wagoner, General Superintendent of Childrens Home. The report on Sunday Schools was given by Mr. J. A. Webb. Report on Vacation Bible School was given by Miss Grace Ollis. It was an excellent report and indicated much is being done through this branch of the work.

3. Report on Temperance was given by G. H. Dellinger. Report on Music Department given by Mrs. Ruth Johnson and the officers were elected for the following year in the adoption of the report. Report on Evangelism was read by the clerk as presented by Rev. Ira Hodges. Report was adopted and spoken on by Rev. Guy King. Adjourned to 9:30 a. m. tomorrow.

PROCEEDINGS — AUGUST 8

1. The Association met at 9:30 a. m. with Roaring Creek Baptist Church. The song service was directed by Mr. Kenneth Johnson. The devotional lesson was brought by Rev. Guy Blair from Psalms 121. After the devotional lesson the Vice Moderator, Rev. Howard Hodges, announced the fact that the U.N. had been called into emergency session and prayer was offered for the peace of the world, led by Rev. Mack Hodges.

2. Report on Missions was read by the Clerk as written by Rev. Roby Painter and it was adopted by the Association. It was spoken on by Ottis Hodges.

3. Report on Hospitals was brought by Rev. Ira Hodges. It was spoken on by Dr. W. K. McGee of Winston-Salem. Report on Home for the Aging was given by Rev. Marvin C. Smith and adopted. It was spoken on by Rev. Charles P. Burchette, Jr.

4. The report on Women's Missionary Union was given by Mrs. J. T. Tanner of Elk Park. Report was adopted. The report on Brotherhood was given by Rev. Mack Hodge and was adopted.

5. An offering was accepted for the expense of the Association which amounted to $16.66.

6. Association adjourned for lunch which was served on the ground.

AFTERNOON

1. The Association met in the afternoon session at 1:30 p. m., with a beautiful song service led by Mr. Kenneth Johnson, the Associational Music Director. The afternoon devotion was conducted by Rev. Vivian Greene from I Corinthians 13, verses 1-7. "Love".

2. The Moderator called on Bro. Ed Buchanan, the present Clerk, who has just resigned due to poor health. He made a very interteresting address and gave some fine points on the workings of the Association. Bro. W. W. Abernethy asked permission to submit a resolution. This was presented and adopted. A free will offering was given Mr. Ed Buchanan in the amount of $31.33.

3. The Committee on Resolutions was presented by Rev. W. W. Abernethy and adopted. The Committee on Time and Place and Preacher was presented by Rev. Marvin Smith and adopted.

4. The obituary report was presented by Mr. Kenneth Johnson. Report on Training Union was given by Rev. W. W. Abernethy and adopted.

5. Report on Finance was given by the Clerk. $245.16 reported in the Treasury.

6. The election of officers resulted as follows: Clerk and Treasurer, W. W. Braswell; Historian, Bruce Daniels; Vice Moderator, Vivian Green; Moderator, Howard Hodges.

7. Motion was made by the Moderator that the Article 8 of the Constitution be amended as follows: Chairman of Evangelism, Chairman of Publicity, Music Director, Sunday School Superintendent, and Training Union Director.

8. An Inspirational address was given by Rev. Marvin C. Smith based on Psalm 65 verse 2.

9. Motion was made by Mr. R. T. Lewis that the Annual election occur on the first day of the Association. Vote was taken and motion was adopted.

10. The Association adjourned.

RESOLUTIONS

That we, by standing express our appreciation to these churches for their invitation, and kind hospitality inviting us the Avery Association.

Respectfully submitted,
R. T. Lewis
W. W. Abernethy — Committee

THAT WE HERE TODAY express our appreciation to the Fall Creek Church and to the Roaring Creek Churches our sincere thanks and appreciation for inviting us to their churches, and for the kind hospitality they have shown to us in the kind and warm welcoming way they have received us, for the bounty they have provided for us while in their midst. That we express our appreciation to all who have taken part in our program to make these days fruitful and helpful to us in the on going and building of the Kingdom of our Heavenly Father. To Bro. Howard Hodges who worked so faithfully in taking the lead as Vice Moderator in getting the program ready and carrying it out so faithfully and efficiently. And to Bro. W. W. Braswell for serving as Clerk and doing for us such a fine job.

Respectfully submitted,
R. T. Lewis
W. W. Abernethy — Committee

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We, the Committee, recommend that the next session be held at Elk Park Church and Cranberry Church, consecutively, being August the 6th and 7th, 1959. Rev. Junior Smith to preach annual sermon, with Ronda Earp, alternate.

Respectfully submitted,
N. E. Cook
J. C. Isaacs
Marvin Smith — Committee

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR LAST YEAR

It is with regret that owing to the condition of my health and on the advise of my doctors, I am compelled to ask you to relieve me of the Clerk and Treasurer's Office, I thank God for the many years that I have tried to serve you, and the fine Fellowship with my many friends, may God ever bless and prosper the Avery Association.

I have received from all sources last year $275.00, spent $275.00, (even).

Respectfully submitted,
Ed. W. Buchanan, Treasurer

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR AGING

This the eighth year of the Baptist Home for the Aging, and knowing the dire need for the best in the correct attention, and adequate space, I would like to recommend that each church, and each Pastor, to carefully see the need for a better way of life, for our Aged people. Knowing that this is the responsibility of the churches and also a part of this Association, I earnestly ask each Pastor to ask his church to contribute to this cause as liberal as possible, so that we may be able to give more room and better facilities at Rest Haven in Winston-Salem and our Home in Albemarle, N. C.

Respectfully submitted,
Marvin C. Smith

TEMPERANCE

> Wine is a mocker, strong drink is raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise.
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> —Proverbs 20: 1

Alcoholic consumption in the United States has become more than a small matter, breweries have risen to the 5th largest industry in the nation having a 28 billion dollar annual income. In the states of New York, Wisconsin and Connecticut an average of 2 to 5% of the high school students drink more than modestly. 27.8% of all "Mental Disorder" was alcoholically connected. In our own county court of July, 21 cases were called for drunken driving, 14 cases for illegal possession and 1 for transporting, with more than $1,500 paid in fines and more than 79 months of sentences passed. Alcohol alone is not the only threat to society, the Dope traffic in the United States has become an enormous threat to our young people and the society in which we are partakers.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. G. H. Dellinger

BAPTIST TRAINING UNION REPORT

Your Associational B. T. U. Director led in four Associational Mass Meetings with an average attendance of 35 and three pastors. We have ten B. T. U. in our Association. Several Churches had study courses, but we did not get a report as to how many took the courses and received awards. We urge that every church keep your New Director, Brother Howard Isaacs, posted so that he can be of greater help and make a better report next year. Every church should have a Training Union.

Our last meeting was with the Oak Grove church, and it was mostly a business meeting. Brother H. W. Isaacs was elected Associational Director; Rev. Marvin Smith, Pastor Advisor; Bro. John Hayes, Adult Leader (of the Aaron church); Earl Green, Young Peoples Leader; Miss Doris Shell, Intermediate

Leader; Mrs. Earl Carver, Junior Leader; Mrs. Geneva Mohor, Primary Leader; Miss Carolyn Ollis, Secretary, and Mr. Kenneth Johnson, Choir Leader.

Group Leader: Crossnore—Rev. Howard Hughes, Cranberry—Mrs. Edyth Brown, Pleasant Hill—Rev. Mack Hodges, Elk Valley—Mr. Will Blair, Newland—Mr. Bruce Daniels.

The next associational Mass meeting will be held with the Pleasant Hill Church, October 7th, 7:30 p. m., which will be a leadership meeting. All Church officers and leaders are requested to be there. This includes Sunday School, W. M. S., Brotherhood and all organization workers.

Please cooperate with this most important effort by attending. See that your church is well represented at this meeting.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. Abernethy

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL
1958 REPORT

Our Baptist Hospital provides a well-rounded program of medical care and training under Christian guidance and influence.

It serves our people when they are sick and need specialized medical care which requires facilities beyond those available in their own communities. The Hospital works in full cooperation with our local physicians. It offers a wide range of specialized training in the different fields of medicine and surgery, in nursing, in various other fields of medical care, and in pastoral care.

Last year the Hospital provided bed care for 16,000 patients. There were 120,000 visits to the clinics and offices of the medical staff and chaplains. Service patients came from 92 of the 100 counties of the State. The services of the medical staff were given free to all service patients, and the Hospital spent more than half a million dollars in providing free care for them beyond what they were able to pay.

A service patient pays what he can of the cost of his care. To help make up the difference between what he can pay and the cost, the Hospital has some assistance from welfare agencies and the Duke Endowment for patients who can qualify, but it must depend primarily upon the Mother's Day offerings. This fund can be used only in cases of real need and after the patient's family has paid all it can and all other possible help has been secured.

Two factors are forcing the Hospital to seek a largely increased Mother's Day support if it is to be able to continue such a service to our sick; First, hospital costs everywhere have increased more than 30% in the last five years; Second, as the number of North Carolina Baptists increases, the demands for this service increases.

Fortunately there has been an increase in the amount of Mother's Day offerings, also. These contributions have grown by 20% in the last five years. Yet, it is clear that only through greatly increased support by our churches can

the Hospital hope to continue to give the large volume of free service it has been giving to our people.

We believe Baptists of North Carolina will provide the necessary funds if they realize the need, for we have found that when churches acquaint their people with the need, the response is excellent. When the hospital movie and the slide film have been shown and an active effort has been made to present the Mother's Day program, offerings have been generous. Our need, therefore, is simply for our churches to inform their people of the need more effectively. We shall be happy to assist you in your efforts.

Respectfully submitted,
Ira Hodges

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

Proverbs 22: 6.

"Train up a child in the way he should go: and when he is old, he will not depart from it." How should a child be trained? Should he be trained in God's ways in order to develop christian character or should his training be undirected, allowing him to develop weaker character and often juvenile delinquency. The purpose of Vacation Bible School is to influence youths to develop sound christian character. Often it is in V. B. S. that a child receives his first knowledge of Christ and His love. Many times, children attend V. B. S. who never have gone to Sunday School or church. They learn of God's plan of salvation and accept it; later, they become our best church members and citizens. How many of the churches in the Avery Association recognize this fact? This summer, eleven out of the twenty-nine have seen the need for V. B. S. and have scheduled schools to benefit the children of their community. These churches and their enrollments are: Beech Mountain 33, Belview 39, Cranberry 50, Crossnore 105, Elk Park 60, Minneapolis 66, Newland 60, Pineola 30, Pleasant Hill 111, Valley Haven (to be taught) and Whites Memorial 50. This is an approximate enrollment of six hundred and fifty boys and girls and a registration of seven hundred of these enrolled, there was an average attendance of five hundred seventy-five. In these eleven schools, there were fifty children who were not enrolled in a Sunday School. Seven children made a profession of faith in Christ, twenty-five made a fuller committment to God, and five surrendered to God for full time christian service. The daily mission offerings totaled approximately forty dollars ($40.00) of which a part was sent through the cooperative program by some schools, and a part was designated in other schools.

Our community, our Association, our Church, our State, and our Nation in future years, will depend on the way we train our youth now. What will be our per centage of V. B. S. in the Avery Association in 1959? One hundred per cent, I hope.

Respectfully submitted,
Mary Grace Ollis

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Sunday School Convention met with Powder Mill Baptist Church July 25, 1958 at 9:00 a. m. Mr. John Webb, Superintendent, presided. Rev. Billy Smith was in charge of devotions; welcome by Rev. G. H. Dellinger.

Twenty churches answered the roll call with the following number of delegates: Aaron 4; Belview 10; Big Meadows 4; Chestnut Dale 5; Cranberry 9; Crossnore 7; Fairview 8; Hensons Creek 1; Minneapolis 3; Newland 1; Oak Grove 4; Pineola 1; Pleasant Hill 22; Powder Mill all; Roaring Creek 2; Stamey Town 10; Sugar Mountain 4; Valley Haven 1; Whites Memorial 1, and Yellow Mountain 1. Twelve pastors were present.

After the Superintendent's address, most of the superintendents of the above churches gave a brief report of their progress and work of the past year.

Committees appointed were: Resolutions, Charlie Woody, Harold Dellinger, Dewey Gouge. John Webb was elected superintendent for next year. Mrs. Kermit Johnson was elected secretary and agreed only to serve until the Association at which time another secretary may be elected. Mr. Cook was elected to assist Mr. Webb.

A song was led by Frank Parsons after which an inspiring message centered on building and improving the Sunday Schools was delivered by Rev. D. P. Brooks from the Home Mission Board. Another song was led by Mr. Parsons and Rev. Erby McKinney preached the annual sermon. There was much good fellowship, singing and praising the Lord before the meeting adjourned for lunch at 12:00.

AFTERNOON

A delightful lunch prepared by the members of the Powder Mill Church was served on the church grounds. The Convention reassembled at 1:30 p. m. Rev. G. H. Dellinger held devotions and the Powder Mill Church Choir presented several beautiful hymns. The speaker for the afternoon session was Rev. Hemphill from Hickory.

Miscellaneous Business: The motion was made voted on to meet next year at 10:00 a. m., instead of 9:00 in order to give the ladies more time to prepare the food and enable them to attend the morning session of the convention.

Respectfully submitted,
Ruth A. Johnson, Acting Sec.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT TO SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

I visited 11 churches out of the 29 in the Association. I had a very hearty welcome at each church. We had a study course for teachers and officers at Crossnore Baptist Church for five nights. We had five churches represented. They gave away awards to each church that attended the five nights. Rev. Guy

Cain the teacher, Aaron church 1, Jonas Ridge church 3 and Crossnore church 17. I recommend that there be a study course in each church the coming year for teachers and officers.

I also recommend that there be a worker for each department of the Sunday School to work with the Associational Superintendent.

Respectfully submitted,
John Webb, Supt.

MISSION'S REPORT

One individual may not be able to accomplish much alone, but a group together may do much. The same thing might be said of one church and many churches. Many churches working together can accomplish a great deal, whereas one church can do but little. Every figure of speech representing christians carries the thought of working together. "The body," "Vineyard," "Building," they all mean working together.

The Cooperative Program is a plan whereby the churches may work together to carry out the commissions of Jesus. Through this plan we can help to educate young people, help the sick, preach the gospel. Let us do our best to carry out commands of our Master.

Respectfully submitted,
Roby L. Painter

REPORT ON EVANGELISM

There are many lost people in the County, State, Southland, Nation, and the World. The Challenge is great to christians. Our task is to try to win them. Jesus gave the marching orders, "Go ye into all the world". We also have the promise of His presence all the way.

Let us do our best to be soul winners.

Respectfully submitted,
Ira Hodges

BAPTIST CHILDREN'S HOMES REPORT

The amount that we Baptists of North Carolina give to care for children in our Children's Homes is $400,000,000 per year. This money comes through the Cooperative Program and special gifts, including the Thanksgiving offering. The total income for Children's Homes increased 23% from 1950 through 1957. This is perhaps a little less than the increase in living costs. During this same period applications increased 65%. We should begin now to make a larger Thanksgiving offering this year. Each church should increase their Thanksgiving offering 10% to meet this difference.

The Management of our Children's Homes express their sincere appreciation to all of you who have supported our Children's Homes.

Rev. W. R. Wagoner has been chosen to take the place of Superintendent of Our Children's Homes as Brother W. C. Reed has retired. Brother Wagoner

is well prepared and of fine qualities to fill this important place for us. We are so glad to have him lead us in this great work. May every pastor and church in our Avery Association do their best in giving to the Cooperative Program, as our Children's Homes are supported by this program, and special gifts as the Thanksgiving offering and once a month gifts.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. Abernethy

W. M. U. OFFICERS

SUPERINTENDENT ..... MRS. LOUISE T. TANNER
ASSOCIATE SUPERINTENDENT ..... MRS. B. H. WINTER
Y. W. A. LEADER ..... MRS. GENEVA MOHR
G. A. DIRECTOR ..... MRS. BILLY SMITH
SUNBEAM BAND DIRECTOR ..... MRS. PHIL DANIELS
CHAIRMAN OF PRAYER ..... MRS. HOWARD HODGES
CHAIRMAN OF MISSION STUDY ..... MRS. BOB BANNER
CHAIRMAN OF STEWARDSHIP ..... MRS. MAYNARD OLLIS
CHAIRMAN OF COMMUNITY MISSIONS.....MRS. GEORGE JOHNSON
REGIONAL SUPERINTENDENT ..... MRS. EARL JAMES
451 W. Main St., Elkin, N. C.

WORK IN W. M. U. ASSOCIATION

There are 13 organizations altogether, as follows: 6 W. M. S.; 1 Y. W. Aux.; 2 Int. G. A.; 3 Jr. G. A. and 1 Sunbeam. There are 134 members and 50 tithers. Nearly $300.00 was given to Lottie Moon Christmas offering for Foreign Missions. Also there was a Korean Orphan adopted by the Associational W. M. U.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. T. Tanner

REPORT OF MUSIC DEPARTMENT OF ASSOCIATION

In the fall of 1957, a meeting was held at the Crossnore Baptist Church for all churches in the Avery Association to organize a music Department. Only two churches were represented, Newland and Crossnore. The following officers were elected: Music Director, Mrs. Julian Green, Pastor Advisor, W. W. Abernethy; Director of Instrumental Activities, Mrs. Bob Banner; Director Congregational Activities, Kenneth Johnson; Director of Graded Choir, Kenneth Johnson; Director of Publicity and Promotion, Mrs. Kermit Johnson. The Associational Hymn Singing was organized to bring all churches of the Association to a greater knowledge and appreciation of music in our worship services. At this meeting the first hymn singing was planned for the last Sunday in January, 1958 to be held at Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church. The above officers met and planned the program.

The next hymn singing was held the last Sunday in March at Aaron Baptist Church and the last one in June at Oak Grove Baptist Church.

At the last hymn singing new officers were nominated for the coming year. They are as follows: Director, Kenneth Johnson; Pastor-Advisor, Rev. Marvin Smith; Director of Instrumental Activities, Mrs. Bob Banner; Publicity and Promotion, Mrs. Tex Mohr; Jr. Choir Activities, Sarah Williams; Intermediate Choir, Mrs. J. T. Tanner; Young People's Activities, B. J. Hovis; Adult, Bruce Daniels; Secretary and Treasurer, Mrs. J. T. Tanner.

A school of music was held one week at the Crossnore Baptist Church for all churches but very few took advantage of this opportunity.

Financial Report: Collection at Mt. Pleasant Church $12.00, collected at Aaron Church, $15.46, and collection at the Oak Grove Church $7.23. Total collection is $34.69.

Letters were sent to all the churches a few days before each hymn singing and programs were mimeographed. Letters were sent to the churches inviting them to the school of music. The total expense of paper, stamps, and envelopes was $16.02 leaving a balance of $18.67. We owe the state workers who taught the school of music $34.40.

Respectfully submitted,
Kenneth Johnson

REPORT ON BROTHERHOOD

We wish to give as our report the "definition" of a Church Brotherhood in order that those who do not know the meaning of A Church Brotherhood may have an opportunity to get better acquainted with it and its purpose in the church.

DEFINITION:

A church Brotherhood is a group (large or small) of consecrated men, members of the church, who have banded themselves together for the sole purpose of promoting the full program of their church and denomination. While so doing, they seek to enlist every man who is a member of the Church in doing the same thing.

It is significant to notice that in this brief definition of a church Brotherhood the word "promoting" rather than "supporting" is used. There is a vast difference in the meaning of the two terms. A person can support a cause and not promote it, but it is impossible for one to promote a cause without supporting it. An individual can support something by giving his money and withholding himself. But when an individual promotes a cause, he invariably puts himself, his personality, his talents, as well as his money into it.

The large number of semi-active men of the churches might be called supporters of the work of their church and denomination, but they can hardly be called promoters. They help pay the bills and attend most of the services. When urged, they will accept tasks in the church, provided they are not in-

convenienced too much or become too deeply involved. But in the main they withhold themselves from becoming real promoters of all the work of their church. One of the great tragedies of Christianity today, however, is to be found in the fact that a large percentage of the men of the churches are neither promoters nor supporters. They must be classified as retarders, for they contribute nothing, do nothing, and seemingly care little or nothing about the progress of their church.

The Brotherhood seeks to make promoters of all the men in all the work of the church and denomination. It is a service organization which continually seeks to provide for the men an outlet through which they may render practical Christian service. It seeks in an intelligent way to cultivate fellowship, deepen spirituality, promote religious intelligence, and simulate activity among the men of the church. And most important, it seeks to lead lost men to Christ.

The Brotherhood is nothing more or less than the men of a church mobilized to promote the entire program of their church and denomination. It is a movement, an influence, for the enlistment of the men of the Church into those places where they can render their best Christian service. The Brotherhood justifies its existence only when it prayerfully, systematically, conscientiously, and energetically strives to fill this important place in the life of its church.

"Honour all men. Love the Brotherhood. Fear God. Honour the King."
(II Peter 2:17).

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Mack Hodges

HISTORICAL AND STATISTICAL TABLES

Historical Table

Year	Meeting Place	Moderator	Clerk	Sermon
1912	Aaron	W. H. Ollis	W. M. Francum	D. A. Greene
1913	Pleasant Hill	S. M. Pittman	D. Buchanan	W. R. Beach
1914	Big Meadows	C. C. Bryant	D. Buchanan	S. M. Johnson
1915	Jonas Ridge	W. H. Ollis	D. Buchanan	C. A. Martin
1916	Yellow Mountain	W. H. Ollis	D. Buchanan	R. T. Vann
1917	Roaring Creek	D. A. Greene	D. Buchanan	M. L. Buchanan
1918	Green Valley	D. A. Greene	D. Buchanan	N. S. Hampton
1919	Crossnore	D. A. Greene	D. Buchanan	D. A. Greene
1920	Minneapolis	S. M. Pittman	D. Buchanan	W. R. Cullom
1921	Beech Mountain	R. T. Lewis	D. Buchanan	N. S. Hampton
1922	Pleasant Hill	R. T. Lewis	D. Buchanan	L. W. Hall
1923	Newland	N. S. Hampton	D. Buchanan	D. R. Kilgore
1924	Elk Valley	N. S. Hampton	D. Buchanan	H. T. Stevens
1925	Chesterdale	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	J. W. P. Hill
1926	Green Valley	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	L. W. Hall
1927	Big Meadow	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	J. M. Whitaker
1928	Jonas Ridge	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	J. Henline
1929	Yellow Mountain	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	E. M. Johnson
1930	Roaring Creek	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	S. M. Pittman
1931	Aaron	K. L. Haga	Ed. W. Buchanan	K. L. Haga
1932	Crossnore	K. L. Haga	Ed. W. Buchanan	K. L. Haga
1933	Powdermill	Ed. W. Buchanan	Ruth E. Hester	G. D. Danner
1934	Mount Pleasant	Ed. W. Buchanan	W. W. Braswell	W. R. Davis
1935	Beech Mountain	Ed. W. Buchanan	W. W. Braswell	Paul Roberts
1936	Pineola	G. D. Danner	K. L. Haga	J. G. Benfield
1937	Flat Springs	G. D. Danner	K. L. Haga	J. C. Owen
1938	GreenValley	V. W. Greene	J. L. Banner	J. A. Brown
1939	Fall Creek	V. W. Greene	J. L. Banner	G. D. Danner
1940	Newland	V. W. Greene	K. L. Haga	R. D. Painter
1941	Yellow Mountain	V. W. Greene	K. L. Haga	K. L. Haga
1942	Elk Valley	V. W. Greene	D. Buchanan	Spencer McCloud
1943	Belview	R. T. Teague	D. Buchanan	J. C. Brown
1944	Elk Park	R. T. Teague	D. Buchanan	W. W. Ward
1945	Pleasant Hill and Minneapolis	R. L. Painter	K. L. Haga	Jeff Pyatt
1946	Jonas Ridge and Oak Grove	D. N. Jones	D. Buchanan	W. F. Smith
1947	Cranberry	D. N. Jones	D. Buchanan	Frank Brown
1948	Powdermill	V. W. Greene	Ed. W. Buchanan	Dayton Jones
1949	Crossnore and Mt. Pleasant	D. N. Jones	Ed. W. Buchanan	Ben Wood
1950	Aaron and Newland	J. W. Costner	Ed. W. Buchanan	W. F. Smith
1951	Elk Valley and Valley Haven	J. C. Brown	Ed. W. Buchanan	A. G. Brooks
1952	Sugar Mtn. and Big Meadow	Mack Hodge	Ed. W. Buchanan	D. N. Jones
1953	Belview and Minneapolis	Mack Hodge	Ed. W. Buchanan	Ira Hodges
1954	Fairview and Whites Memorial	Mack Hodge	Ed. W. Buchanan	Victor Trivette
1955	Flat Springs Beech Mtn.	Mack Hodge	Ed. W. Buchanan	Bruce Buchanan
1956	Pleasant Hill Newland	D. N. Jones	Ed. W. Buchanan	Howard Hodges
1957	Crossnore Chestnut Dale	Ira Hodges	Ed. W. Buchanan	H. H. Ruppe
1958	Fall Creek Henson Creek	Howard Hodges	W. W. Braswell	G. H. Delinger

TABLE A. CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location Rural-V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Have Budget?	Every Member Canvass?	State Paper in Eudget?	No. Local Missions Operated by Church	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor for full year or not)
Aaron	V		All	Marvin C. Smith, Montezuma	3	2	4	99	23	121	1		*	*	*	1	$697.00
Beech Mountain	R	1869	2-4	L. W. Hagaman, Reece	5	6	10	134	30	164	2		*	*	*		
Belview	R	1922	1-3	G. H. Dellinger, Route 3, Newland	9		6	71	59	130	2		*	*	*		600.00
Big Meadows	R	1845	3	Charlie Woody, Spruce Pine	3		5	59	91	150	2		*	*	*		
Chestnut Dale	R		2-4	Lloyd Shell, Route 2, Marion			1	37	17	44	2		*	*	*		480.00
Cranberry	V	1903	1-3				8	110	53	163	1		**	*	**		525.00
Crossnore	V	1907	All	Howard T. Hodges, Crossnore	14	4	7	165	104	269	2		**	**	**		
Elk Park	T	1923	All	Haskel Ingram, Box 4, Hampton, Tennessee	4	15		60	16	76			*	*	*		360.00
Elk Valley	R		1-3	D. N. Jones, Route 1, Elk Park	4	3	8	104	89	193	1						720.00
Fall Creek	R	1885		D. N. Jones, Route 1, Elk Park	8		13	120	78	198	2		*	**			600.00
Fairview	V	1940	1-3	Guy Blair, Newland	2	2	2	62	27	89	2		*		*		
Flat Springs	R	1902	2-4	Ronda Earp, Vilas	21	1	8	191	58	249	2		*	*	*		398.00
Green Valley	R	1886	1-3	Lloyd Shell, Route 2, Marion			4	98	40	138	1	2	*				545.00
Henson Creek	R	1900	1-3	Charles Woody, Route 2, Spruce Pine	5	1	1	116		116	2	4	*	*	*		420.00
Jonas Ridge	V		All	J. A. Revels, Hickory	5	7		52	10	62	1						
Minneapolis	V		2-4	D. N. Jones, Route 1, Elk Park	14	1	2	124	30	154	2		*				900.00
Mt. Pleasant	R	1869	All	Vilas N. Minton, Boone	2	1	2	105	50	155	1	5	*	*			1800.00
Newland	T	1921	All	W. W. Abernethy, Newland	4	4	3	170	70	240	1		**	*	*		3380.00
Oak Grove	R		2-4	Marvin C. Smith, Box 105, Montezuma	5		6	85	20	105	2						
Pineola	V	1920	2-4	Frank Parsons, Bakersville	4		4	50	11	61	1	2		**	*		293.00
Pleasant Hill	R	1905	1-3	Mack Hodge, Box 195, Bakersville	12	4	7	243	130	373	2		**				2400.00
Pleasant Valley	R	1893	1-3	Russell Potter, Elizabethton, Tennessee	2		4	49	84	133	1		*	*			
Powder Mill	R	1914	1-3	G. H. Dellinger, Route 3, Newland	5	1	3	88		88	1						
Roaring Creek	R	1871	2-4	Garfield Hughes, Route 1, Newland			1	93	18	101	1						
Stamey Town	R	1947	1-3	Lloyd Shell, Route 2, Marion	66	1	2	29	10	39	2		*	**	*		360.00
Sugar Mountain	R	1950	1-3	Ted Braswell, Spruce Pine	12	1	2	46	8	54	2	17	*	*	*		282.00
Valley Haven	V	1948	1-4	Ira Hodges, Spruce Pine	1	1	4	43	20	63	1	7	*	**	*		251.00
Whites Memorial	V	1949	2-4	William Grindstaff, Route 2, Spruce Pine			5	85	12	97	1	2	*	*	*		
Yellow Mountain	R			Roby Painter, Route 3, Newland	3	2	4	100	30	130	1	1					480.00
Totals					213	57	126	2788	1188	3955	42	40				1	15491.00

* Indicates "No"; ** Indicates "Yes".

TABLE B. BUILDING—GOALS FOR COMING YEAR—SPECIAL INFORMATION

CHURCHES	Value of Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property Including Pastor's Home	Money Spent on New Construction, Property and Equipment, Church	Total Church Debt at End of Year	Cooperative Program, % of Total Budget	Association Mission Goal Coming Year	Church Have Library?	Church Have Recreation Committee?	Does Church Have Weekday Kindergarten?	Does Church Have Day School?
Aaron		19200	653	547			*			
Beech Mountain		3000	410	177			*	*		
Belview							*	*	*	*
Big Meadows							*	*	*	*
Chestnut Dale		6500	422				*	*	*	*
Cranberry		7000	892	750			*	*	*	*
Crossnore	10000	45000			10%		*	*	*	*
Elk Park		6000	860				*	*	*	*
Elk Valley							*	*	*	*
Fall Creek		14500					*	*	*	*
Fairview		3000					*	*	*	*
Flat Springs		5000					*	*	*	*
Green Valley		3000								
Henson Creek		605					*	*	*	*
Jonas Ridge										
Minneapolis							*	*	*	*
Mt. Pleasant		10000					*		*	*
Newland	10700	50700					*	*	*	*
Oak Grove			10	150						
Pineola		5000			10%	1%	*	*	*	*
Pleasant Hill		30000	809	2000			*	*	*	*
Pleasant Valley		2000					*	*	*	*
Powder Mill		5000					*	*	*	*
Roaring Creek		4000					*	*	*	*
Stamey Town		10000	1200	5000			*	*	*	*
Sugar Mountain		5000					*	*	*	*
Valley Haven			719	200			*	*	*	*
Whites Memorial							*	*	*	*
Yellow Mountain			288							
Totals	20700	234505	6263	8824						

TABLE C. BROTHERHOOD WORK

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	CHRM. ROYAL AMBASSADOR CO. AND ADDRESSES	Men's Brotherhood Enrolment	Total Men	No. Junior R. A. Chapters	Junior R. A. Enrolment	Intermediate R. A. Enrolment	Total R. A. Enrolment	Grand Total Enrolment
Aaron	Clyde E. Sudderth, Montezuma		19	19					19
Crossnore	William Aldridge, Crossnore	William Aldridge, Crossnore	22	22		21			43
Newland	Fred Taylor, Newland	Vance Buchanan, Jr., Newland	52	52	1	5	5	10	62
Pleasant Hill	Earl Green, Frank	Roy Ollis, Frank	39	39	1	16		16	71
Totals			132	132	2	42	5	26	195

TABLE D. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W.M.S. AND ADDRESSES	W. M. S. Units	G. A. Units	Sunbeam Units	Total Units	W. M. S. Enrolled	Y. W. A. Enrolled	G. A. Enrolled	Sunbeam Enrolled	Total Enrolled
Aaron	Mrs. Marvin Smith, Montezuma					17				17
Belview	Rhetta Gouge, Cranberry	1				10				10
Crossnore	Mrs. Geneva Mohr, Crossnore					27	13	7		46
Elk Park	Mrs. B. H. Winters, Elk Park					10		5	7	22
Jonas Ridge	Mrs. Ernest Bustle, Jonas Ridge	1	1	1	3	19			14	33
Newland	Mrs. Vance Buchanan, Jr., Newland	1	2		3	21		18		39
Totals		3	3	1	6	104	13	30	21	167

TABLE E. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS AND ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission Sunday School Enrolment	Grand Total Sunday School Enrolment	Average Attendance	Number Training Schools	Vacation Bible School Enrolment	Average Attendance V.B.S.	January Bible Study
Aaron																				
Beech Mountain	Mr. Truman Church, Route 1, Elk Park			7	7	14	20	20	20		35		2		123	97		33	31	
Belview	Dewey Gouge, Cranberry		3	10	8	12	10	10	3		47		10		103	73		39	36	*
Big Meadows	Lambert Benfield, Route 3, Newland			15	12	8		20		10	25		2		90					*
Chestnut Dale	J. D. Isaacs, Route 3, Newland		2	1	3	10	4	7		7	30		4		68	30				*
Cranberry	B. H. Nicely, Cranberry		41	7	12	15	16	13	15							58		52	49	*
Crossnore	J. A. Webb, Crossnore		7	22	32	27	17	27	14	28	31	13	37		242	170	5	105	85	*
Elk Park	Mr. Joe Massee, Elk Park		6	6	6	10	10		21		20		5		70	60		60	52	*
Elk Valley	Ernest McGuire, Route 1, Elk Park			5	11	15	7	12		23	5				90	45				
Fall Creek	D. C. Cook, Route 1, Elk Park			9	8	17		18			30		9		125	81				*
Fairview	Lee Cook, Route 2, Spruce Pine				30		8			35	20				93	44				*
Flat Springs	Cleo Jones, Route 1, Elk Park			21		20	34	12	18		48				153	77				*
Green Valley	Roland McClellan, Crossnore	4	6	8	9	7	8	7	10	12				7	78	50				
Henson Creek	Hobert Dellinger, Route 3, Newland			15		8		15		12	15				65	55				*
Jonas Ridge	H. R. Clark, Jonas Ridge			4	4	8	14	4			20				54	45				
Minneapolis	R. T. Lewis, Minneapolis																			
Mt. Pleasant	R. F. Horney, Route 3, Newland			15	15	20	15	10		25			2		102	75				*
Newland	Bruce Daniels, Newland			24	11	32	17	10	26		42		26		188	90	1	63	55	**
Oak Grove	Scott Taylor, Newland			12	14				23		30		7		88	75				
Pineola	Charles Clark, Pineola	4	4	2	3	8	8	8	6	3	15		8		69	30				*
Pleasant Hill	Ed W. Buchanan, Minneapolis			14	25	25	30	15		50	35		12		206	122	1	118	99	
Pleasant Valley	Walter Hicks, Elk Park		3	10	8	6	10	4	2	12					52	30				*
Powder Mill	Howard Thomas, Route 1, Newland			15		15		20	15		20				85					
Roaring Creek	Mr. Verl Hughes, Route 1, Newland			16	10	8	10	10	8	12	14				88					
Stamey Town	Orville Harmon, Route 2, Spruce Pine			16	14	10		22		14					76	50				*
Sugar Mountain	Flovd Banner, Route 2, Newland		6	2	5		10				25	1	6		45					*
Valley Haven	Larry Draughan, Route 1, Banner Elk		2	5	5	3	15			20			6		56	43		40	38	*
Whites Memorial	J. C. Burleson, Box 733, Spruce Pine	2	6	6	7	10	12	12		12	12		2		79	59				*
Yellow Mountain	Austin Buchanan, Plumtree															64				
Totals		10	86	267	259	308	275	276	181	275	519	14	138	7	2488	1523	7	510	445	

* Indicates "No"; "" Indicates "Yes".

TABLE F. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults, 25-34	Adults, 35 and up	General Officers	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Number Training Schools	Observe Youth Week?
Beech Mountain	Mrs. Loy Trivett, Route 1, Elk Park				10	12	12			13	2	45	35		
Cranberry	Mrs. Christine Booker, Cranberry		4	8	9	7	6			12		46			*
Crossnore	Rex Ayers, Crossnore	6	4	7	8	10	6	8	8		10	67	35		* *
Elk Park	Mr. Dale Shook, Elk Park	5	5	5	12	8		6		18	6	59	35	2	*
Elk Valley	Fred Blair, Route 1, Elk Park			8	6	6	4		12		4	60	28		
Fall Creek	N. C. Cook, Route 1, Elk Park		13		16	35				32	6	96	44		* *
Newland	Frank Hoilman, Newland			4	10	18			4	13	3	52	30	1	* *
Pleasant Hill	Lawrence Ollis, Frank		14	5		20	25			40	8	112	60	1	
Sugar Mountain	Wilma Duckworth, Route 2, Newland			10		15				4					
Valley Haven	William Blair, Banner Elk		4		5	12			20		5	46	39		* *
Whites Memorial	Olin Burleson, Route 3, Newland		6	4	4	5	5		7		3	34	20		* *
Totals		11	50	51	80	148	58	14	51	132	47	617	326	4	

TABLE G. CHURCH MUSIC

CHURCHES	CHOIR DIRECTORS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Total Enrolment	September—Church Music Month Observed	Name of Hymnal Used in Auditorium
Beech Mountain	Mrs. Erleen Church, Route 1, Elk Park	32		
Belview	Julius Ollis, Cranberry		*	
Chestnut Dale	J. D. Isaacs		*	Gospel Story
Cranberry	Bobby Ollis, Cranberry		*	Broadman Hymnal
Crossnore	Kenneth Johnson, Crossnore		**	Broadman
Elk Valley	Luther Riddles, Banner Elk			
Fall Creek	Mack Cook, Route 1, Elk Park		*	
Flat Springs	Joseph Norris, Route 1, Elk Park		*	
Minneapolis	Jessie Grindstaff, Minneapolis			
Mt. Pleasant	Patsy Thompson, Route 3, Newland		*	
Newland	Mrs. Doris T. Greene, Newland		*	Broadman Hymnal
Oak Grove	Mr. M. T. Hovis, Newland			Revival Message
Pineola	Mrs. R. W. Moir, Pineola		*	Tabernacle
Pleasant Hill	Roy Ollis, Frank			
Powder Mill	Joe Cantrell, Newland			
Roaring Creek	Dave Hughes, Newland			
Sugar Mountain	Billie Banner, Route 2, Newland		*	Favorite Songs
Valley Haven	William Blair, Banner Elk		*	American
Whites Memorial	George Huskins, Route 2, Spruce Pine		*	
Totals		32		

TABLE H AND I. TOTAL GIFTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Total Gifts for All Purposes	Total Salaries (Do Not Include Pastor's Salary)	Maintenance, Insurance, Repair, etc.	New Buildings and Equipment	Literature, Song Books, Printing, etc.	Local Missions and Benevolences	Revival Expenses and Pastoral Supply	Payment on Church Debt	Other Local Expenses	Total Local Expenses Excluding Pastor's Salary)	Pastor's Salary Money Paid)	Grand Total Local Expense
Aaron	S. E. Pritchard, Montezuma		58	1560	225	56			653	123	2677	697	3373
Beech Mountain	Truman Church, Route 1, Elk Park	2197	78	149		78	232	105		410	1052	855	1907
Belview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry	2245	104	230		98		178		306	916	600	1516
Big Meadows	Lawrence Carpenter, Route 3, Newland	2239	142	79	48	145	88	181	680	229	1592	480	2072
Chestnut Dale	Clarence Johnson, Route 1, Newland	1329	48		422	39		142		36	687	480	1167
Cranberry	Mrs. Mildred Greene, Cranberry	1475	180	21	892	152	46	50		67	1408	525	1933
Crossnore	Lois W. Clark, Crossnore	7364	290	101	125	403	35	200	1856	712	3722	2735	6457
Elk Park	Mr. Clarence Carroll, Elk Park	1665	40	860		143				107	1142	360	1510
Elk Valley	Mrs. Floy Aldridge, Banner Elk	1197	20	110		83		106		75	394	720	1114
Fall Creek	Mrs. Beulah Dugger, Route 1, Elk Park		180	442		108	156	221		150	1258	600	1858
Fairview	Avery Hoilman, Route 2, Spruce Pine		115	10		15		50		48	238	209	447
Flat Springs	J. M. Harmon, Beech Creek	833	60	72		16		73		28	248	398	645
Green Valley	Wise Hall, Spruce Pine	1179		287		27	17	77		79	488	545	1032
Henson Creek	Paul Dellinger, Route 3, Newland				605	36		100		78	819	420	1239
Jonas Ridge	Mrs. Grace Rose, Jonas Ridge	2261		34	523	49	50	83	1006	150	1896	426	2322
Minneapolis	R. T. Lewiss, Minneapolis	3546	122	343	363	86	922	483		13	2334	875	3209
Mt. Pleasant	Edward M. Burleson, Rt. 3, Newland	2328		37								1800	
Newland	Finley Banner, Newland	8181	240	346	772	398	44	100	2527	701	5128	3380	8508
Oak Grove	Duard Coronett, Newland		60		911	60		59		50	1080	690	1770
Pineola			120	60		35	20			60	295	293	588
Pleasant Hill	Roy Ollis, Frank	7471	180	329	809	209	188	531	1860	186	4292	2400	6692
Pleasant Valley	Robert Hicks, Elk Park	281		33		29		60		12	134	131	266
Powder Mill	T. J. Greene, Route 1. Newland				140	32		61		138	371	544	935
Roaring Creek	Evia Hughes, Route 1, Newland			83		45		87		66	280	90	370
Stamey Town	Mrs. Claude Pyatte, Newland	1851	52	32		37	48	37	1200	54	1460	360	1820
Sugar Mountain	Mrs. Floyd Banner, Rt. 2, Newland	383	60	50		67	62	93			333	282	614
Valley Haven	Betty Draughan, Banner Elk	70		77	719	73		62	719		931	251	1182
Whites Memorial	Mrs. J. D. Braswell, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine	1133	96			86	124	84	172	146	709	420	1129
Yellow Mountain	L. G. Greene, Plumtree	1189	208	288		53	53	123		204	929	260	1189
Totals		50417	2453	5633	6554	2658	2085	3346	10673	4228	36813	21826	56864

TABLE J AND K. MISSION EXPENDITURES AND TOTAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Associational or District	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Christian Education, Schools	Children's Home	Designated Hospitals	Relief and Annuity, Homes for Aged, Radio, T.V., etc.	Total Mission Expenditures	Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes
Aaron			10									3383
Beech Mountain	Mr. John Trivett, Route 1, Elk Park	3	3	38	21	17	17	44	61	6	221	2128
Belview	Julius Ollis, Cranberry	3		5	14	27		85	50	123	306	1843
Big Meadows	Mrs. L. W. Carpenter, Route 3, Newland							136	31		167	2239
Chestnut Dale	J. C. Isaacs, Route 1, Newland								28		28	1194
Cranberry	O. L. Wright, Cranberry	2			7	7		25	20		62	1995
Crossnore	Nell S. Aldridge, Crossnore	452	15	20	28	82		36	39	24	586	7153
Elk Park	Mrs. B. H. Winters, Elk Park	27		8	11	34		35	20	20	155	1665
Elk Valley	Lonnie Aldridge, Route 1, Banner Elk				18			53		12	83	1197
Fall Creek	Judd Jones, Route 1, Elk Park							22	23		45	1903
Fairview	Mrs. Jeff Woody, Route 2, Spruce Pine							6			6	453
Flat Springs	J. M. Harmon, Beech Creek							71	12	36	119	764
Green Valley	Mrs. Fritz Hall, Route 2, Spruce Pine				51			54	17	25	147	1179
Henson Creek	Mrs. Delora Buchanan, Route 3, Newland								10		10	1249
Jonas Ridge	Mrs. Grace Rose, Jonas Ridge							129	21	7	157	2479
Minneapolis	Helen Grindstaff, Minneapolis							89	105	35	229	3438
Mt. Pleasant	Mrs. Jessa A. Gragg, Route 3, Newland											2434
Newland	Ruth H. Calloway, Newland	265		12	11	109		165	34	270	867	9375
Oak Grove	Mr. Duard Cornett, Newland											1770
Pineola	Mrs. R. W. Moir, Pineola	60		10		10				20	110	698
Pleasant Hill	Lawrence Ollis, Frank				12	165		74	41	34	435	7127
Pleasant Valley	Mrs. Walter Hicks, Elk Park	5						5	5		15	281
Powder Mill	George Watson, Route 1, Newland							10	10		20	935
Roaring Creek	Evia Hughes, Route 1, Newland							13	5	46	65	435
Stamey Town	Mrs. Claude Pyatte, Newland							11	11		22	1842
Sugar Mountain	Mrs. Isabel Braswell, Route 1, Newland								20	5	25	639
Valley Haven	Joe B. Perry, Banner Elk			7					29		29	1218
Whites Memorial	Mrs. J. C. Burleson, Box 723, Spruce Pine								10	29	39	1168
Yellow Mountain	Wade Buchanan, Spear							36	16		62	1251
Totals		817	28	100	173	451	17	1099	618	692	4010	63425

SUMMARY TABLE

Location R.V. T.C.	Year Organized	Services — Indicate 1 - 2 - 3 - 4	CHURCHES	NAMES OF PASTORS AND FULL ADDRESSES	Baptisms Reported	Additions by Letter	Total Membership (Including Non-Resident)	Sunday School Enrolment Including Mission Schools	Vacation Bible School Enrolment	Training Union Enrolment	W. M. U. Enrolment	Brotherhood Enrolment	Total Value Church Property (Including Pastor's Home)	Total Gifts For All Purposes	Total Mission Expenditures	Pastor's Annual Salary
V		All	Aaron	Marvin C. Smith, Montezuma	3	2	121				17	19	19200			697
R	1869	2-4	Beech Mountain	L. W. Hagaman, Reece	5	6	164	123		45			3000	2197	221	
R	1922	1-3	Belview	G. H. Dellinger, Route 3, Newland	9		130	103			10			2245	306	600
R	1845	3	Big Meadows	Charlie Woody, Spruce Pine	3		150	90						2239	167	
R		2-4	Chestnut Dale	Lloyd Shell, Route 2, Marion			44	68					6500	1329	28	480
V	1903	1-3	Cranberry				163		52	46			7000	1476	62	525
V	1907	All	Crossnore	Howard T. Hodges, Crossnore	14	4	269	242	105	67	46	43	45000	7364	586	
T	1923	All	Elk Park	Haskel Ingram, Box 4, Hampton, Tennessee	4	15	76	70	60	59	22			1665	155	360
R		1-3	Elk Valley	D. N. Jones, Route 1, Elk Park	4	3	193	90		60				1197	83	720
R	1885		Fall Creek	D. N. Jones, Route 1, Elk Park	8		198	125		96			14500		45	600
V	1940	1-3	Fairview	Guy Blair, Newland	2	2	89	93					3000		6	
R	1902	2-4	Flat Springs	Ronda Earp, Vilas	21	1	249	153					5000	833	119	398
R	1886	1-3	Green Valley	Lloyd Shell, Route 2, Marion			138	78					3000	1179	147	545
R	1900	1-3	Henson Creek	Charles Woody, Route 2, Spruce Pine	5	1	116	65							10	420
V		All	Jonas Ridge	J. A. Revels, Hickory	5	7	62	54						2261	157	
V		2-4	Minneapolis	D. N. Jones, Route 1, Elk Park	14	1	154							3546	229	900
R	1869	All	Mt. Pleasant	Vilas N. Minton, Boone	2	1	155	102					10000	2328		1800
T	1921	All	Newland	W. W. Abernethy, Newland	4	4	240	188	63	52	33	62	50700	8181	867	3380
R		2-4	Oak Grove	Marvin C. Smith, Box 105, Montezuma	5		105	88								
V	1920	2-4	Pineola	Frank Parsons, Bakersville	4		61	69					5000		110	293
R	1905	1-3	Pleasant Hill	Mack Hodge, Box 195, Bakersville	12	4	373	206	118	112	39	71	30000	7471	435	2400
R	1893	1-3	Pleasant Valley	Russell Potter, Elizabethton, Tennessee	2		133	52					2000	281	15	
R	1914	1-3	Powder Mill	G. H. Dellinger, Route 3, Newland	5	1	88	85					5000		20	
R	1871	2-4	Roaring Creek	Garfield Hughes, Route 1, Newland			101	88					4000		65	
R	1947	1-3	Stamey Town	Lloyd Shell, Route 2, Marion	66	1	39	76					10000	1851	22	360
R	1950	1-3	Sugar Mountain	Ted Braswell, Spruce Pine	12	1	54	45					5000	383	25	282
V	1948	1-4	Valley Haven	Ira Hodges, Spruce Pine	1	1	63	56	40	46				70	36	251
V	1949	2-4	Whites Memorial	William Grindstaff, Route 2, Spruce Pine			97	79		34				1133	39	
R			Yellow Mountain	Roby Painter, Route 3, Newland	3	2	130							1189	62	480
			Totals		213	57	3955	2488	438	617	167	195	227900	50418	4017	15491

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

The Executive Committee shall consist of the elective officers of the Association and two lay-members elected from the body.

COMMITTEES TO REPORT AT NEXT SESSION

Cooperative Program ..... John Cann
Periodicals ..... Frank Parsons
Temperance ..... Mack Hodge
Education ..... Ted Braswell
Brotherhood ..... William M. Abel
Baptist Homes for Children ..... Lloyd Shell
Homes for the Aged ..... Marvin Smith
Evangelism ..... Charlie Woody
Obituaries ..... Mrs. Bob Banner
Hospitals ..... Ira Hodges
Relief and Annuity ..... Haskel Ingram
Executive Committee ..... W. W. Braswell
Finance ..... W. W. Braswell
Woman's Missionary Union ..... Mrs. J. T. Tanner
Sunday Schools ..... J. A. Webb
Training Union ..... Charles Freeman
Vacation Bible School ..... Mrs. Mary Grace Calhoun
Music ..... Kenneth Johnson

DELEGATES LISTED

AARON: Lloyd Sudderth, Earl Hartley, John Hayes.

BEECH MOUNTAIN: John Trivett, Millard Cook, Omer Trivett, Fin Trivett.

BELVIEW: Mr. Lusk Henson, Rev. Jess Cook, Mrs. Flossie Gourge, Mrs. Lucy Cook.

BIG MEADOWS: Jones Stamey, Delzie Stamey, Ada Johnson, Bobbie Carpenter.

CHESTNUT DALE: Condly Huffman, Eula Huffman, Lula Isaacs, Larry Dale Johnson.

CRANBERRY: Mrs. Edythe Brown, B. H. Nicely, O. L. Wright.

CROSSNORE: Mrs. Mary Johnson, Mr. Kenneth Johnson, Mrs. John M. Cann, Mr. John Webb, Mrs. John Webb.

ELK PARK: Mrs. B. H. Winters, Mrs. Dale Shook.

ELK VALLEY: Rev. Earl Carver, Mrs. Stella Carver, Marion Horney.

FAIRVIEW: Avery Hoilman, Mrs. Avery Hoilman.

FALL CREEK: George Crawford, Will Mitchell, Troy Crawford, D. C. Cook.

FLAT SPRINGS: Don M. Greene, Gleen Michal, Joseph Norris.

GREEN VALLEY: George Pittman, Wise Hall, Mrs. Fritz Hall, Mrs. George Pittman.

JONAS RIDGE: L. T. Shell, Mrs. L. T. Shell, Grace Rose.

MINNEAPOLIS: R. T. Lewis, Ed Lewis, Odas Greer, Vernal Holtsclaw, Janie Carter.

MT. PLEASANT: Omer Thompson, Dick Horney, Mrs. Jessie Gragg.

NEWLAND: Mrs. Bob Banner, Mrs. C. M. Lecka, R. A. Shoemaker.

OAK GROVE: Rev. Charley New, Mr. Frank Taylor, Mr. Emett Johnson, Mrs. Wade Buchanan.

PINEOLA: Mr. and Mrs. George Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Ira Vance, Mrs. Howard Vance, Mr. and Mrs. Sterling Vance.

PLEASANT HILL: Mrs. Homer Pittman, Mrs. Ernest Hughes, Mr. Raymond Brown, Mr. Earl Green, Mrs. Florence Buchanan.

PLEASANT VALLEY: Noah Hicks, Phles Gwyn, Mrs. W. E. Gwyn.

POWDER MILL: Hick Buchanan, Taylor Buchanan, George Watson, Howard Thomas, Will McKinney.

ROARING CREEK: Guy Blair, Garfield Hughes, Clifford King.

STAMEY TOWN: Flora Stamey, Agnes Bowman, Vida Carpenter.

SUGAR MOUNTAIN: James Rominger, Louise Rominger, Isabel Braswell.

VALLEY HAVEN: Mrs. S. Berry, Mrs. L. Draughon, Mrs. Ira Hodges.

YELLOW MOUNTAIN: Vester Stafford, Waites Wiseman, Douglas Buchanan.

CONSTITUTION

Art. 1. This body shall be known as the Avery County Baptist Association.

Membership

Art. 2. The membership shall consist of duly elected delegates from the various churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of 100 members or less shall be entitled to three delegates, and every additional fifty or major fraction an additional delegate.

Objects

Art. 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing harmony, the intelligence and Spiritual power of the churches and for directing and developing their gifts in advancing the Redeemer's Kingdom in the earth.

Power and Prerogatives

Art. 4. The Association shall not have power to infringe upon the sovergnity or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical legislature, nor council nor court of appeals. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption but cannot bind them in any way, yet in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes not orthodox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by delegates or letter more than two successive sessions without sufficient reason, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon applications of a church for admission.

Rights of Churches

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent Church of Jesus Christ. As consistent members of the Association, the Churches have the rights to advise when desired in a case of difficulty and to suggest plans to usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with the body.

Duties of the Churches

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates as far as practicable their most capable members, to insist upon their attendance and to send by them a contribution to the Association funds to pay for printing minutes and other necessary expenses. It shall be the duty of the churches to have their associational letter read and approved and mailed to the Clerk of the Association 10 days before time for the Association to meet.

Officers

Art. 8. The officers of the Association shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer (one person), Historian, Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Music Director, and an Executive Committee consisting of the officers of the Association, and two lay-members elected from the body of the Association. Their terms of office to begin at the conclusion of the session at which they are elected and continue till the close of the next session. All officers provided for in this article to be members of a Baptist Church belonging to this Association.

Duties of the Officers

Art. 9. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the time appointed, to enforce the rules, to keep order and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to assist the Moderator in the executive rulings of the Associational Meetings and in the absence of the Moderator to serve as presiding officer.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep faithful record of the proceedings of the body and together with a publishing committee which shall consist of the Moderator and two other members of the Association, publish the minutes and other important documents belonging to the Body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Historian to preserve important data of the Association.

Art. 13. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members.

RULES OF ORDER

I. Meetings

1. The Association shall meet annually at the time and place of its own selection.

2. During each session the Association shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hour fixed by the Body.

3. All meetings shall be opened and closed with a devotional period.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No person shall speak more than twice and not longer than twenty minutes on any subject without permission of the Body.

6. No members shall be allowed to stand up, talk, read or move about during the business except to gain or impart information on the subject under discussion.

II. Business

1. Call the roll of the churches and enroll delegates.
2. Reading of letters shall be referred to Committee on State of Churches.
3. Investigate the failure of churches to be represented at the previous meetings.
4. Receive new churches.
5. Invite visitors to be seated.
6. Fill any vacancy in organization.
7. Appointment of Committees.
8. Adopt and follow report of Committee on Order of Business as to subjects and discussion.
9. Election of officers.
10. Miscellaneous business shall be provided for at the pleasure of the Body.
11. All Customs of order herein provided for shall be decided by the rules of Mells Parliamentary Practice.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-EIGHTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE AVERY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

The Avery County Baptist Association met with Elk Park Baptist Church on Thursday, August 6th, 1959, and transacted the following business, to wit:

A congregational song service was conducted by Mr. Kenneth Johnson of Crossnore, N. C. Mrs. Beatrice Teague Banner served as pianist for the association.

The Vice Moderator, Rev. Vivian Greene called the association to order and presided.

The morning devotional was conducted by Rev. Haskell Ingram, pastor of Elk Park Baptist Church. He first gave very hearty words of welcome to the meeting.

The Moderator asked all visitors to introduce themselves and the following responded: M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill; Guy King of Boone; Mrs. Edith Cardwell Bolick of Florida; Mrs. Grace Oaks of Heaton; Mr. Vernon Sparrow of Thomasville, N. C., and his son Mickie. These were all welcomed and invited to seats in the Association.

The roll call of Churches was requested by the Moderator . . . all the twenty-nine churches answered except Henson Creek, White's Memorial and Valley Haven.

The Moderator at this time appointed a committee on Time-Place and Preacher, as follows: Lawrence Wright, Lonzo Woody and Rev. R. L. Painter.

The program was adopted subject to change for the convenience of visiting representatives from the State Convention and District Workers.

The election of officers for the ensueing year was gone into and resulted as follows: Moderator, Rev. G. H. Dellinger, Vice Moderator; Rev. William M. Abel, Clerk-Treasurer; W. W. Braswell, Historian; J. T. Tanner, Sunday School Superintendent; John Webb, Training Union Director; Charles Freeman, Music Director; Kenneth Johnson.

The report on Evangelism was called for and was given by Rev. William M. Abel. On motion the report was adopted.

The report on Vacation Bible Schools was called for and was given by Miss Grace Ollis. On motion the report was adopted.

The report on Music was called for and given by Kenneth Johnson, and was spoken on by Mr. Jack Campbell of Morganton, who strongly stressed the importance of music preparation and practice before any public rendition, also of the need of training of the music director of each and every church even it might cost some money from the local church for such training. On motion the report was adopted.

The Annual Sermon was brought by Rev. Junior Smith and was taken from Matt. 28th chapter, verse 19. Theme: "The Great Commission." It was an inspiring and instructive message.

The meeting was adjourned for lunch, which was served on the beautiful grounds of the church.

The afternoon session was entered into by congregational singing and apparently was greatly enjoyed by the meeting.

The devotional was conducted by G. H. Dellinger, and was taken from the Gospel of Saint John, Chapter 7, verses 37-38.

The Training Union report, in the absence of Mr. Howard W. Isaacs, was read by the Clerk. On motion the report was adopted.

The report on Women's Missionary Union was called for and was presented and spoken on by Mrs. J. T. Tanner of Newland, N. C. On motion the report was adopted.

The report on Baptist Homes for Children was called for and in the absence of Mr. Lloyd Sudderth, it was given by Mr. Vernon Sparrow, Superintendent of Mills Home. Mr. Sparrow brought a very instructive address on the work of the homes.

The report on Christian Education was called for and in the absence of Rev. Roby Painter, Mr. M. H. Kendall of Mars Hill College, brought an address on the work and advantages of the Denominal schools of North Carolina, with stress on Mars Hill College.

Report on Time-Place and Preacher was called for and was given as follows: We, your committee recommend that the time of next annual meeting of the Association be held on the first Thursday and Friday of August, 1960, at Oak Grove and Stamey Town churches respectively, and that Rev. William Grindstaff bring the Annual Sermon. On motion the report was adopted.

The report on Relief and Annuity was called for and was presented and spoken on by Rev. G. H. Dellinger. On motion the report was adopted.

On motion it was carried that Rev. Marvin Smith be placed on the program to preach at eleven o'clock at tomorrow's session of the Association at Cranberry church.

The Association adjourned to meet tomorrow, August 7th, 1959 at 9:30 A.M. with Cranberry Baptist church.

W. W. BRASWELL, Clerk-Treasurer
VIVIAN GREENE, Moderator

EVANGELISM

Winning souls to Jesus Christ is the job of every Christian. "As the Father hath sent me even so send I you." John 20, 21. We can not all be great like Paul or some other great preacher, but we all can

be a soul winner for the glory of God. We, Christians, lose our vision of a lost world, then we have lost our rights to be called Christians. "I came to seek and to save that which is lost," said Jesus. Our business in this world is to carry on the work which our Lord began almost two thousand years ago.

There are three-thousand, nine hundred and fifty-five (3,955) church members in the Avery Association. Last year it took eighteen of these members to win one soul to the Lord. If we were on the job, like the Lord wants us to be, we could have eighteen (18) to one (1) that is eighteen people could have been won to the Lord by one person. If there ever was a day when God needs people to do the work of Evangelism it is in this day that we are living in.

There are about 2,000,000 lost people in the State of North Carolina today; we must look to the Lord and let His Holy Spirit use us now to win them.

Last year we won only two-hundred and thirteen people to the Lord (1:18). Let us resolve to do better for the Lord this coming year or this Associational year.

The ratio of baptism to church membership in the Southern Baptist Convention for 1958 is (1.22). The ratio in North Carolina Baptist State Convention for 1958 is (1.25). This constitutes a challenge for the Baptist people of North Carolina. The need is great in our state, and Christ is calling for a fuller dedication to Him throughout this great state.

The gospel means "good news," evangelism is telling that good news to the poor, captives, blind, bruised and the broken-hearted. Can God depend on you to take His wonderful story to the lost that live around you.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. WILLIAM M. ABEL

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Vacation Bible School work in the Avery Association is growing. How we look forward to the day when every church will provide a school for its boys and girls every summer. Values of a School are self-evident. Here are a few of the values:

TO THE CHILDREN—The Vacation Bible School helps to make the child's life purposeful; it turns his hours of idleness into constructive activity; it makes him love and appreciate the church; it brings him into close contact with the pastor and other teachers; it supplements the work of the Sunday School in making the Bible vital to him; it helps win him to Christ and bring him into church membership.

TO THE PASTOR—The school gives the pastor his best opportunity to learn his children; an opportunity to study the child life at first hand; and a wonderful opportunity to win them to Christ and, through contacts with them, to get into the hearts and lives of many indifferent and often ungodly parents.

TO THE SUNDAY SCHOOL—A properly conducted school wins new pupils to the Sunday School, both among children and adults; it discovers new teachers working in the school and makes them more efficient.

TO THE CHURCH—A good school makes the parents and children more deeply interested in the work of the church and more willing to support it; it opens up the way for an increase in membership; and helps develop a finer atmosphere and to spiritualize the life of the church.

Summary of the 1959 Record:

Number of schools that were held	12
Total enrollment	736
Pupils not in Sunday School	23
Professions of Faith	34
Dedications	14
Total Mission Offerings through schools	$96.18

I feel that we have had twelve very successful Bible Schools. The boys and girls in each school loved the program and seemed to be very appreciative and grateful. The intentions in each school was that we should all be drawn closer in fellowship with our Lord.

Respectfully submitted,
(MISS) GRACE OLLIS

MUSIC

"In the midst of the church I will sing Praise unto Thee." Heb. 2:12.

Your Avery Baptist Music has sought to carry out most standards set for an Associational Music program. We have had hymn sings, or carols, quarterly. These we must confess, were not as well attended as we had hoped.

The main purposes of our having an Associational music program is so each church will participate, will learn, and will come to see the need and purpose of better church music. Only hymns and spiritual song with a message to the people, or praise from people to God, based on Scripture, is of acceptance in any church service. Too if the music of a song is all that's gotten across and not the message, its a song not worth using. Both words and music make a song.

The wrong use of our hymns often occur when used as a time killer, or while the windows are opened. "Let's sing a hymn," often

is said with no motive in mind that would praise God.

A school of Church Music was held for a week at a different church each night in hopes of creating attendance. We had an average of 30.2 attendance and 13 awards. The Beginning Music Reader was taught by Mr. Fred Lane.

We are financially better off this year. We have a balance of $19.50. The following are proposed officers for the coming fiscal year: Mr. Guy Cain, Superintendent of Missions; G. H. Dellinger, Associational Moderator. (1). Director, Kenneth Johnson, (2). Pastor Advisor, Rev. Robert Davis, (3). Director of Instrumental, Mrs. Mildred Blackburn; assistant, Mrs. Bob Banner, (4). Director of Training, Mrs. John Cann, (5). Director of Congregational Activities, Felton Suddereth, (6). Director of Graded Choirs, Mrs. Bob Lacy, (7). Director of Promotion and Publicity, W. W. Braswell.

Respectfully submitted,
KENNETH JOHNSON

TRAINING UNION REPORT

II Tim: 2:15, "Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth."

In our Training Union's we can study the word of God together freely, and it is my sincere belief that every church needs a Training Union. We have 14 in our Association this year, a gain of 4 over last. So we feel our work hasn't been at a loss.

Let's Pray and work together this coming year that we can have an even greater gain. And if we'll stand behind our leaders and give them our presence at our meetings for the next year, we will have a great one.

Our officers for the coming year are: Director: Mr. Charles Freeman, Jonas Ridge; Assistant Director: Mr. Howard W. Isaacs, Pleasant Hill; Pastor Advisor: Mr. Ernest Bustles, Jonas Ridge; Adult Leader: Mr. John Hayes, Aaron; Young People: Mrs. Elbert McCoury, Cranberry; Intermediate: Mr. Vance Buchanan, Jr., Newland; Junior: Mr. Dale Shook, Elk Park; Primary: Mr. Johnny Shell, Jonas Ridge; Beginners: Miss Gloria Ollis, Cranberry; Nursery: Mrs. Kate Davis, Cranberry; Song Leader: Mr. Kenneth Johnson, Crossnore; Assistant Song Leader: Mrs. Melba Vance, Oak Grove; Pianist: Mrs. Mildred Blackburn, Assistant Pianist: Gloria Ollis, Cranberry, and Secretary and Treasurer: Mrs. Charles Freeman, Jonas Ridge.

Respectfully submitted,
HOWARD W. ISAACS

WORK IN W.M.U. ASSOCIATION

There are 11 organizations in all, as follows: 7 W.M.U.; 2 Int. G.A.'s; 1 Tr. G.A.; 1 Sunbeam. There are 160 W.M.U. members, and 63 tithers. $341.27, was given to the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering, $23.21, was given to the Heck-Jones Offering, and $89.00 was given to the Annie Armstrong Offering. Total given to missions was $453.48.

We still support our Japanese Orphan by sending $10.00 for her upkeep in Tokyo, Japan.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. J. T. TANNER

TIME, PLACE AND PREACHER

We the Committee, recommend that the next session be held at Oak Grove Church and Stamey Town Church, consecutively, being August the 4th and 5th, 1960. Rev. William Grindstaff will preach the annual sermon.

REPORT ON RELIEF AND ANNUITY

For the past 44 years our Baptist Relief and Annuity programs has been serving ministers of the south with protection in Retirement, Disability, and Death, 24,000 members participating. 5,000 cases are now receiving benefits from the program. In the past year 377 pastor husbands died, 297 of these leaving wives and families with no financial protection. Of course, these widows will receive $8.00 per month from the Relief Fund, which is all the funds will allow.

With these facts facing us there are yet 65% of our Baptist Ministers are not protected, with 18,000 prospective widows without financial protection.

With the plan of Church and Ministers working together to secure this protection, every minister should plan today for future financial security.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. G. H. DELLINGER

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

I have visited all twenty-nine churches in the Association. I have found one of the greatest needs, are more class rooms, and I have tried to encourage all the churches to start a visitation program, so that they might reach more people in their Sunday School.

I didn't accept any money from any of the churches. I paid my own expense. The churches that took up collection for me, I gave it to them to put in their building fund.

I hope our Sunday Schools grow more this year, than they did last year.

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN WEBB, Superintendent

"Inasmuch as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me" (Matthew 25:40).

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOMES FOR AGING

The ninth year of operation of the Baptist Homes for Aging began March 16, 1959. All three of the Homes — Resthaven, Albemarle, and Headquarters — have had a good year, and have been filled practically all the year to capacity — 119, counting residents and helpers. When vacancies occur, there are always more applications on the waiting list than rooms to be filled.

Since the average age of a resident is about 80 years, there were several deaths during the year. Among the deceased was the oldest resident, "Uncle" John T. Holt, formerly of Wilsons Mills, N. C. He died July 13, being 99 years of age. Had he lived until February 26, 1960, he would have been ONE HUNDRED YEARS of age. He was a resident of the Homes nearly eight years, and for the past two years was a patient in the infirmary of the Headquarters Building. He was, indeed, a great soul, and all connected with the Homes keenly miss him.

This has been another year of God's favor upon the Homes and of encouraging progress. While the campaign to raise funds to build the fourth Home in Eastern Carolina, at Hamilton, has not been completed, yet there is good reason to believe that the money will be secured this year and construction will begin. Mr. Don G. Matthews of Hamilton has given the land for the site, and most of the $50,000 which he promised. He is ready to give the balance when the extra $100,000 has been raised. With reorganization of plans and persistent effort, the balance needed can and will be forthcoming.

Architectural plans and specifications for the enlargement of the infirmary at Headquarters have been prepared, and construction of 28 additional bedrooms should begin by September or October.

The two most pressing needs of the Homes for Aging now are (1) to finish raising the funds to start construction of the Hamilton Homes, and (2) to raise about $75,000 to cover the balance needed to pay for the additional facilities in the infirmary expansion. So, a total amount of $150,000 must be raised, therefore, to finish these two projects. When they are completed, 60 more bedrooms will be added for anxious and needy residents, thus increasing the total capacity of all the HOMES to 170 residents.

Would you like to have a generous part in helping to make these plans become a reality at the earliest possible date? If so, please let us hear from you at once. Why not furnish, or endow, or construct a room with your gift? If you are not able to do as much, send the

amount you are able to give to N. C. Baptist Homes, Inc., Reynolds Park Road, Winston Salem, N. C., and your gift will be used as you may instruct.

All connected with the N. C. Baptist Homes are most grateful to the churches, individuals, and corporations for the help given to offer our aging friends who live in the Homes a program of security, comfort, congeniality, and a Christian ministry.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

When we think of education in this atmosphere, we think of Christian Education. When we think of Christian Education, we think of our Baptist Colleges.

Education begins in the home. Later children begin to learn at Church; then they begin to study in our public schools. We can help them by keeping good materials at home, always giving the Bible first place. We can put our best into our churches, thus helping them to do better work. The various organizations of our churches, Vacation Bible Schools, Study courses, Clinics may be used to help each of us to learn.

Our young people should know about our Baptist Colleges and other schools. We can distribute literature telling of our Colleges and Seminaries and those who know of the work of these schools can tell others. We should be truly grateful for our schools. They merit our support.

Respectfully submitted,
ROBY L. PAINTER, Rev.

RELIGIOUS LITERATURE REPORT

The things we read guide our lives to a great extent. The message of the printed page can go to many places where the spoken word and sermon cannot be heard. Christian Literature is a mighty force for good in promoting the Lord's work and in sowing the seeds of righteousness in the minds of people today.

Baptists have compelling reasons for giving major attention to Religious Literature, for it is designed to promote Bible study, lead to personal faith in Christ, cultivates Christian character and develops faithful workers and skillful leaders in our churches. Christian literature must be promoted, read, and used by our people in the homes and churches if the whole program of Christ is to be carried out by Baptists working together. The devil is using the power of the printed page as never before. The vast flood of bad literature that is being distributed throughout our land today is promoting paganism, worldliness, and evil thoughts and deeds. A great

many of these bad books and magazines are found in Baptist homes.

One of our major needs is to get our people trained and enlisted in the whole program of our denomination and the kingdom of God. This can not be done from information and inspiration provided through the printed page. We must teach our people to read, for we cannot tell them all they need to know, and we must put into their hands this Baptist Literature. We have our state paper, the Biblical Recorder. It has served our churches of North Carolina since 1833; Charity and Children published by our Baptist Orphanage in Thomasville for 70 years. When we feel the need of a closer touch with God, the ladder of inspired literature can bring us into His presence.

Respectfully submitted,
MACK HODGE

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

The North Carolina Baptist Hospital, located in Winston-Salem, is an institution of which every Baptist can be proud. There, day and night, dedicated men and women work to provide care for the sick and bear a Christian witness to all who come.

This great institution consists of an out-patient clinic where patients may go for treatment. There is also a School of Nursing providing training and education to Christian young women. There are opportunities for the training of Interns and Doctors. The patients who are hospitalized have access to spiritual guidance and instruction from members of the department of Pastoral Care. The hospital is staffed and equipped with specialists and equipment for more than twenty-five different fields, of medicine and surgery. These include a huge cobalt machine for the treatment of cancer, and heart surgeons who perform some of the most difficult heart operations successfully.

If a person wishes to be treated at the Baptist Hospital, he should contact the hospital representative, if possible, and have him make an appointment in advance when an appointment is requested, accurate information should be given as to the general nature of the patients illness and whether he needs to go through the out-patients clinic, rather than as a private or full-pay patient. The out-patient department is open to persons who are not able to pay the full cost of their medical care. In cases of emergency the local physicians should call the hospital and make the proper arrangements. If a person is not able to pay the full hospital bill when he leaves the hospital, definite financial arrangement should be made when he is admitted and not left until later.

The hospital depends upon Baptists who will give in the Mothers Day offering to continue this fine work of healing, education, and

ministry of the Gospel. We, the hospital representatives, call upon the churches of the Avery Association to share in this Ministry of the Baptist Hospital by giving generously of our prayers, love and money.

Respectfully submitted,
REV. IRA HODGES
REV. JUNIOR MAX SMITH

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR 1958-59

There was no money at all at the beginning of the Associational year when I was appointed clerk. See page II, Minutes of 1958. There was sent in by the churches $262.82 which was placed in Avery County Bank at Newland, N. C.

	Editing letters	$ 20.00
	Printing Minutes	175.00
	Postage	3.00
EXPENDITURES:	Printing Programs	15.45
	Total	$213.45
	Balance in Bank	49.37
		$262.82

W. W. BRASWELL, Treasurer

At the present Association I have received by letter $188.50. There are two churches that have pledged $10.00 each, which will make a total of $218.20. We had a showing of 3955 members last year. I recommend that the Association pledge 10c per member for associational expense. This would bring $395.50 which in my judgement would be the very minimum we could operate on.

Respectfully submitted,
W. W. BRASWELL

STEWARDSHIP
(Matthew 25:14-30)

The story is told of an artist who was commissioned to paint a picture of a decaying church. Most people thought he would paint a picture of a building which was in ruins but they were mistaken. The artist painted a picture of a beautiful building with its front doors open and with the interest center of the picture focused on two offering plates which were covered with dust. A close inspection of the picture also indicated dust on the mission box and on the pews. No people were in the picture for this church was dead. Its members had stopped tithing of their income.

We of today do not have mission's boxes in our churches. Instead

we have the Cooperative Program through which We as Baptists unite our efforts in seeking to reach a sin sick world with salvation through Jesus Christ.

Since the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19-20) is the imperative or aim of the Christian Church, a good yardstick for measuring any church's stewardship is found in whether a church is mission minded or not. Missions in this day and age is an impossibility unless we are good stewards of what God has given to us. Show me a church in which souls are being won and in which missions comes first and I will show you a church made up of good stewards. Any church made up of members who are so devoted to God that they are good stewards of their time, talents, and money will never have to worry about their local expenses for God will provide and bless for such a people.

In checking the figures for the Avery Association for the past five years and in comparing the mission's expenditures with the total expenditures, I was shocked by the following figures.

	Total Expenditures for all Mission's Causes	Grand Total Expenditures	% of Total Expenditures given to all Mission's Causes
1954	$4,659	$51,543	.09%
1955	$5,724	$63,589	.09%
1956	$4,082	$62,797	.06%
1957	$3,969	$63,504	.06%
1958	$4,010	$63,425	.06%

Average % of total expenditures given to all Mission's Causes for past five years ..... .07%

These figures say very definitely that we are not being good stewards of the blessings which God has given to us. God grant that the day will come when we in the Avery Association will so tithe and give of our income that we can divide our total receipts on a 50-50 basis giving 50% to Missions and using 50% for local expense. We cannot measure up as good stewards as long as we send only .07% of our total expenditures to Missions for Missions is the yardstick used to measure stewardship.

What is the solution to our problem? The answer is a realistic budget for every church regardless of how small. An every member canvas is the next step with the Forward Program of Church Finance being used if possible. Start at the beginning of this Associational year and plan a budget which meets the needs of your particular church. Follow this budget and give a just amount to Missions out of

your total receipts. Increase your mission's gifts each year as you grow in grace and in the knowledge of our Lord.

I do not say "plan a budget" and "seek to increase the per capita giving in your church" in order that we can boast of what we have given or done. When I think of how much God has given and how much Christ has given, and when I compare their gifts with ours I hang my head in shame. We should give in order to say, "We are so concerned about those who do not know Christ and we love them so much that we are going to show our love through our gifts."

Only as we become good stewards of all that God has given us—time, talents, and money can we one day hear God say, "Well done thou good and faithful servant . . . enter thou into the joy of thy Lord."

Respectfully submitted,
JOHN M. CANN

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Bob Banner gave the report of the Obituary Committee. While Mrs. Banner played the piano softly the Clerk called the roll of 23 of "Our Home-Goers" during the past year as reported on the church letters. At the conclusion of the roll call Mrs. Clate Brown sang very effectively and impressively "The Pearly White City," in special recognition of our dear departed Clerk-Treasurer of the Avery Association, Mr. Ed. W. Buchanan of the Pleasant Hill Church. The last feature of this service was the heartfelt and earnest prayer of Rev. Mack Hodges and this prayer was the benediction, Tenneyson's "Crossing the Bar," was read.

"And I heard a voice from Heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from hencefort: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." (Rev. 14:13).

OUR "HOME-GOERS"

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints."
(Psalm 116:15)

AARON: Ralph Sudderth, Mrs. Estelle Robbins.
BIG MEADOWS: Mrs. Jane Johnson, Mrs. Jane Piercy.
CHESTNUT DALE: John Issacs.
CHANBERRY: Elbert McCoury, Edd Staton, Mrs. W. E. Ollis.
CROSSNORE: Mrs. Olive McLean, P. W. Johnson, P. L. Johnson.
ELK PARK: Robert N. Cardwell.
FLAT SPRINGS: Rev. Calvin Guy, Gurney Presnell.
GREEN VALLEY: Mrs. R. L. Hall.
NEWLAND: Ethmond McCoury.
OAK GROVE: Ambrose Biggs, Sam Dean.

PINEOLA: Mrs. Amos Hampton.
PLEASANT HILL: Mr. Ed. W. Buchanan.
PLEASANT VALLEY: John Cooper.
ROARING CREEK: Wess Burleson .
VALLEY HAVEN: Mrs. Robert Brotherton.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. BOB BANNER

RESOLUTIONS

We extend our thanks to the Elk Park Baptist Church and the Cranberry Baptist Church and the people who so generously and unselfishly supported this Association with their magnificent hospitality.

We extend to the officers of this Body our sincere thanks for this unselfish devotion to their duties. Be it further resolved that we extend our thanks to the various committees for their reports on the various objects that they were appointed to report on.

Respectfully submitted,
R. L. LEWIS

SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

The Avery County Baptist Sunday School Convention met with Fairview Baptist Church on Friday, July 24th, 1959, and transacted the following business, to wit:

Brother John Webb, Superintendent, present and presiding.

In the absence of Rev. Mack Hodge the Rev. Marvin Smith conducted the devotional. He brought some very beautiful thoughts on the subject of "Worship in The Sunday School."

A motion was made that the election of officers be gone into at once due to the fact that the Convention was without a secretary. Brother John Webb was re-elected to succeed himself as Superintendent. Brother Herman Dellinger was elected assistant Superintendent. W. W. Braswell was elected Secretary-Treasurer of the Convention.

Rev. Jack Bagwell of the State Sunday School Board, from Raleigh, being present was introduced to the Convention and addressed it on the theme of, "The Harvest is Ripe and Laborers Are Needed." It was a most interesting and inspiring address and was appreciated by the Convention.

The Rev. William Rivers, Regional Superintendent of Sunday School work, of Lenoir, N. C., was presented to the Convention and he offered his services in the organizational work of the Convention at any time on call of the Superintendent.

Roll call of the Sunday Schools was made and the following answered: Aaron, Belview, Big Meadows, Chestnut Dale, Cranberry, Cross-

nore, Fairview, Green Valley, Henson Creek, Minneapolis, Mt. Pleasant, Newland, Oak Grove, Pleasant Hill, Powder Mill, Stamey Town, Sugar Mountain, White's Memorial and Yellow Mountain. The above named churches or Sunday Schools were represented by ninety-one authorized delegates. Each and every Sunday School gave oral reports and all spoke of progress and growth during the past year.

Superintendent Webb at this time appointed a committee on "Time — Place and Preacher."

The Annual Sermon was brought by Rev. Charles Woody. Text taken from I Corinthians, 9th chapter—"So Run That Ye May Obtain."

Lunch was served on the grounds and an abundance of delicious food was enjoyed by all the Convention.

The Convention met promptly at 1:00 P.M. Two beautiful quartet numbers were rendered by Powder Mill representatives.

The afternoon devotion was conducted by Brother Kenneth Johnson of Crossnore, taken from Proverbs 22, subject, "Training."

Report of Committee as follows: Next year's Convention to meet on Friday, July 22nd, 1960 with Chestnut Dale Church and Rev. Robert Davis to bring the sermon.

It was moved and carried that the County be broken into six districts and officers be chosen for each district in order to alleviate the burden of the Superintendent in carrying on the Sunday School work in the County. The division resulted as follows:

JOHN HAYES: Aaron, Oak Grove, Sugar Mountain, Pineola, Jonas Ridge.

B. H. NICELY: Elk Park, Pleasant Valley, Cranberry, Belview, Minneapolis.

TED BRASWELL, JR.: White's Memorial, Fairview, Green Valley, Big Meadows.

JOE PERRY: Beech Mountain, Flat Springs, Fall Creek, Elk Valley, Valley Haven.

ROY OLLIS: Pleasant Hill, Powder Mill, Roaring Creek, Yellow Mountain, Henson Creek.

BRUCE DANIELS: Newland, Mount Pleasant, Chestnut Dale, Crossnore, Stamey Town.

All action taken by the Sunday School Convention was done subject to approval of the Avery County Association which will be held on August 7-8-59.

The Convention adjourned until Friday, July 22nd, 1960, unless sooner called into extra session.

W. W. BRASWELL, Secretary

Proceedings Second Day—

The Association met according to adjournment with Cranberry Baptist Church, Friday morning, 9:30, August 7, 1959, and transacted the following business:

A congregational song service came first after which Rev. Robert Davis, Pastor of Cranberry Baptist Church, conducted the Devotional services. The thought was taken from Isaiah 53.

The Moderator at this time recognized visitors and the following were present and were welcomed: J. M. Hayes, of the Baptist Homes for Aging; Mr. Gordon of Parlier; W. C. McGee of the Baptist Hospital; Rev. Herman Ihley and wife of the State Sunday School Board.

The Moderator called for the reading of the minutes of the preceeding day which were read and approved.

The report on Sunday Schools was called for and in the absence of Brother John Webb, (who was detained because of an injury of his wife in an automobile accident), Rev. John M. Cann, Pastor of Crossnore Church, gave the report. Both Mr. and Mrs. Herman Ihley, of the State Board of Sunday School work, spoke on the subject. On motion the report was adopted.

The report on Homes for the Aged was called for and Brother Charlie Woody who had been assigned to write on the subject was reported as ill and it was moved that the report be published in the minutes if they arrived in time. Mr. J. M. Hayes, General Superintendent of Homes, spoke on the subject. On motion his report was accepted and adopted and ordered to become part of the proceedings. (To be typed as report.)

The report on The Co-operative Program was called, and due to the illness of Mr. K. L. Haga this report was ordered to be placed on record when it came in. Rev. Guy Cain of Boone spoke on the subject.

Rev. Mack Hodges made motion that the current minutes be dedicated to the memory of Brother Ed Buchanan, deceased, past Clerk of the Association. Motion carried.

Valley Haven Church reported present by delegation and letter. Two of the Churches of the Association, Henson Creek and White's Memorial were not represented in the annual meeting. The Executive Committee was ordered to investigate and report to next session as to why the absence.

Rev. Roby Painter was present and made report on Christian Education. Mr. Mike of Gardner-Webb and Rev. Rex West of Fruitland, both spoke on the subject. On motion the report was adopted.

The report on Christian literature was called for and Rev. Mack

Hodges rendered the report and spoke briefly on the subject. On motion the report was adopted.

Report on Hospitals was called for and in the absence of Rev. Ira Hodges, Rev. Mack Smith gave the written report. It was spoken on by Mr. McGee, the Superintendent. On motion the report was adopted.

The Association adjourned for lunch which was served on the grounds.

The Association re-convened after lunch by entering into a congregational song service. The devotional service was conducted by Rev. Marvin Smith. He stressed, "Diversified Talents."

The report on Temperance was called for and Brother Ile Greene being absent and not heard from, the Moderator appointed Rev. John M. Cann, Pastor of Crossnore Church to supply the report for the records.

The report on Finance was called for and W. W. Braswell, Treasurer gave the report. There was much discussion around the subject which resulted in the appointment of a committee consisting of W. W. Braswell, John M. Cann and W. M. Abel instructed to contact all churches and attempt to raise sufficient funds to properly carry on the expense of the Association.

The report on Stewardship was called for and Rev. John M. Cann rendered and spoke on the subject. On motion it was adopted.

The report on Obituaries was called for and Mrs. Bob Banner gave a very impressive report. On motion the report was adopted.

The report on The Executive Committee was called for and W. W. Braswell, Clerk of the Association, gave information on the non-functioning of the committee. On motion of Brother R. T. Lewis, Article 8 of the Constitution was changed to read as follows: The officers of the Association shall be: Moderator, Vice Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer (one person), Historian, Sunday School Superintendent, Training School Director, Music Director, and an Executive Committee consisting of the officers of the Association and two lay-members elected from the body of the Association. Their terms of office to begin at the conclusion of the session at which they are elected and continue till the close of the next session. All officers provided for in this article to be members of a Baptist Church belonging to this Association. On motion this was adopted.

The report on Resolutions was called for, Brother Roby T. Lewis read the report which on motion was adopted.

The present Moderator, Brother Vivian Greene, turned the chair over to the newly elected Moderator, Rev. G. H. Dellinger, who ap-

pointed committees of one each, to render the written reports to next term of the Association.

The Moderator instructed the Executive Committee to notify, well in advance of the Association, all participants of their assignments.

The Association adjourned in good will and Christian harmony.

HISTORICAL AND STATISTICAL TABLES

Historical Table

Year	Meeting Place	Moderator	Clerk	Sermon
1912	Aaron	W. H. Ollis	W. M. Francum	D. A. Greene
1913	Pleasant Hill	S. M. Pittman	D. Buchanan	W. R. Beach
1914	Big Meadows	C. C. Bryant	D. Buchanan	S. M. Johnson
1915	Jonas Ridge	W. H. Ollis	D. Buchanan	C. A. Martin
1916	Yellow Mountain	W. H. Ollis	D. Buchanan	R. T. Vann
1917	Roaring Creek	D. A. Greene	D. Buchanan	M. L. Buchanan
1918	Green Valley	D. A. Greene	D. Buchanan	N. S. Hampton
1919	Crossnore	D. A. Greene	D. Buchanan	D. A. Greene
1920	Minneapolis	S. M. Pittman	D. Buchanan	W. R. Cullom
1921	Beech Mountain	R. T. Lewis	D. Buchanan	N. S. Hampton
1922	Pleasant Hill	R. T. Lewis	D. Buchanan	L. W. Hall
1923	Newland	N. S. Hampton	D. Buchanan	D. R. Kilgore
1924	Elk Valley	N. S. Hampton	D. Buchanan	H. T. Stevens
1925	Chestnut Dale	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	J. W. P. Hill
1926	Green Valley	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	L. W. Hall
1927	Big Meadow	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	J. M. Whitaker
1928	Jonas Ridge	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	J. Henline
1929	Yellow Mountain	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	E. M. Johnson
1930	Roaring Creek	N. S. Hampton	Ed. W. Buchanan	S. M. Pittman
1931	Aaron	K. L. Haga	Ed. W. Buchanan	K. L. Haga
1932	Crossnore	K. L. Haga	Ed. W. Buchanan	K. L. Haga
1933	Powder Mill	Ed. W. Buchanan	Ruth E. Hester	G. D. Danner
1934	Mount Pleasant	Ed. W. Buchanan	W. W. Braswell	W. R. Davis
1935	Beech Mountain	Ed. W. Buchanan	W. W. Braswell	Paul Roberts
1936	Pineola	G. D. Danner	K. L. Haga	J. G. Benfield
1937	Flat Springs	G. D. Danner	K. L. Haga	J. C. Owen
1938	Green Valley	V. W. Greene	J. L. Banner	J. A. Brown
1939	Fall Creek	V. W. Greene	J. L. Banner	G. D. Danner
1940	Newland	V. W. Greene	K. L. Haga	R. D. Painter
1941	Yellow Mountain	V. W. Greene	K. L. Haga	K. L. Haga
1942	Elk Valley	V. W. Greene	D. Buchanan	Spencer McCloud
1943	Belview	R. T. Teague	D. Buchanan	J. C. Brown
1944	Elk Park	R. T. Teague	D. Buchanan	W. W. Ward
1945	Pleasant Hill and Minneapolis	R. L. Painter	K. L. Haga	Jeff Pyatt
1946	Jonas Ridge and Oak Grove	D. N. Jones	D. Buchanan	W. F. Smith
1947	Cranberry	D. N. Jones	D. Buchanan	Frank Brown
1948	Powder Mill	V. W. Greene	Ed. W. Buchanan	Dayton Jones
1949	Crossnore and Mt. Pleasant	D. N. Jones	Ed. W. Buchanan	Ben Wood
1950	Aaron and Newland	J. W. Costner	Ed. W. Buchanan	W. F. Smith
1951	Elk Valley and Valley Haven	J. C. Brown	Ed. W. Buchanan	A. G. Brooks
1952	Sugar Mtn. and Big Meadow	Mack Hodge	Ed. W. Buchanan	D. N. Jones
1953	Belview and Minneapolis	Mack Hodge	Ed. W. Buchanan	Ira Hodges
1954	Fairview and Whites Memorial	Mack Hodge	Ed. W. Buchanan	Victor Trivette
1955	Flat Springs Beech Mtn.	Mack Hodge	Ed. W. Buchanan	Bruce Buchanan
1956	Pleasant Hill Newland	D. N. Jones	Ed. W. Buchanan	Howard Hodges
1957	Crossnore Chestnut Dale	Ira Hodges	Ed. W. Buchanan	H. H. Ruppe
1958	Fall Creek Roaring Creek	Howard Hodges	W. W. Braswell	G. H. Delinger
1959	Elk Park Cranberry	Vivian Greene	W. W. Braswell	Rev. Junior Smith

TABLE A. CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location Rural-V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS AND ADDRESSES	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Have Budget?	Every Member Canvass?	State Paper in Budget?	No. Local Missions Operated by Church	No. Missions started this year	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor for full year or not)
Aaron	V		3	Marvin C. Smith, Route 2, Newland		2	2	99	23	122	1		*	*	*	1		$ 879.31
Beech Mountain	R	1869	2	L. M. Hagaman, Reece	3	2	6	134	30	164	1		*	*	*			681.04
Belview	R	1922	2	Spencer McCloud, Cranberry	1		6	67	58	125	2		*	*	*			927.34
Big Meadow	R	1845	3	Charlie Woody, Route 2, Spruce Pine	3		1	61	91	152	2	3	*	*	*			480.00
Chestnut Dale	R		2	Homer Murrdock, Route 2, Spruce Pine	5		1	40	10	50	2							
Cranberry	V	1908	2	Robert Davis, Cranberry		4	7	108	57	165	1							360.00
Crossnore	V	1907	4	John M. Cann, Crossnore	20	6	11	162	120	282	1	50	**	**	**			3600.00
Elk Park	T	1923	4	Haskel Ingram, Box 4, Hampton, Tennessee	13	2	6	67	27	94	2	10	*	*	*			1200.00
Elk Valley	R	1882	2	D. N. Jones, Route 1, Elk Park	0	2		106	89	195	1							720.00
Fairview	V	1940	2	Lloyd Shell, Route 2, Box 215, Marion	3	1	2	67	28	99	1		*	*	*			347.36
Fall Creek	R	1885	2	D. N. Jones, Route 1, Elk Park	9	3	5	118	76	194	2		*					
Flat Springs	R	1902	2	Ronda Earp, Vilas	3	3	8	187	60	247	2							309.90
Green Valley	R	1886	2	William Grindstaff, Route 2, Spruce Pine		2	9	91	2	93	2	3						480.00
Henson Creek																		
Jonas Ridge	V	1881	4	J. A. Revels, 424—25th St., S. W., Hickory				50	12	62	1							656.50
Minneapolis	V		2	D. N. Jones, Route 1, Elk Park		5	1	129	29	158	2							900.00
Mt. Pleasant	R	1869	2	Marvin C. Smith, Route 2, Newland				85	20	105	1	10						900.00
Newland	T	1921	4	William Abel, Newland	21	12	12	198	66	264	1							3380.00
Oak Grove	R		4	Marvin C. Smith, Route 2, Newland		1	4	70	10	80	2							603.00
Pineola	V	1920	2	Frank Parsons, Bakersville	2	8	6	50	11	61	1							288.00
Pleasant Hill	R	1905	2	Mack Hodges, Box 195, Bakersville	6		8	240	131	371	2		**	*	*			2400.00
Pleasant Valley	R	1893	2	Russell Potter, Elizabethton, Tennessee	2		2	51	87	138	1		*	*	*			150.65
Powder Mill	R	1914	2	G. H. Dellinger, Route 3, Newland	6			89		89	1		*	*	*			
Roaring Creek	R	1871	2	Garfield Hughes, Route 1, Newland	8		1	103	17	120	2		*	*	*			130.90
Stamey Town	R	1947	2	Lloyd Shell, Route 2, Box 215, Marion	3	2		34	10	44	2		*	*	*			360.00
Sugar Mountain	R	1950	2	Ted Braswell, Spruce Pine	1			42	11	53	2	17	*	*	*			353.35
Valley Haven	R	1948	2	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk	2	4	5	54	10	64	1	7	*	*	*			272.35
White's Memorial																		
Yellow Mountain	R		2	Roby Painter, Banner Elk	3	2	1	105	30	135	1		*	*	*			480.00

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TABLE B. THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

CHURCHES	Sunday School Superintendents And Addresses	SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT																					
		Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Young People, Away	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission Sunday School Enrollment	Grand Total Sunday School Enrollment	Average Attendance	Number Training Schools	Church V.B.S. Enrolled	Mission V.B.S. Enrolled	Total Vacation Bible School Enrollment	January Bible Study	Preparation Week
Aaron	Felton Sudderth, Montezuma				14	16					15	25	13	12		95	65				61	*	*
Beech Mountain	Omer Trivett, Route 1, Elk Park			4	7	7	9		20			16		2		97	65				31	*	*
Belview	Dewey Gouge, Box 263, Cranberry		3	8	8	8	7	7	5		5	32		3		85	65				57	*	*
Big Meadows	Lambert Benfield, Route 3, Newland			18	16	9		12			10	20		2		85						*	*
Chestnut Dale	Condly Huffman, Route 1, Newland			2	3	5	2	3			3	24		8		50						*	*
Cranberry	B. H. Nicely, Cranberry			7	12	15	16	13	15			41				119	73		58		58	*	*
Crossnore	J. A. Webb, Crossnore	12	10	20	31	54	42	23	23		41	40	18	3		325	155	1	114		114	*	*
Elk Park	Joe Massee, Elk Park		6	10	4	12	8	4	6		12	8		5		70	56.8	1	71		71	**	*
Elk Valley	Ernest McGuire				15	14	17	14				30				90	51					*	*
Fairview	James Puckett, Route 2, Spruce Pine				21	16		12	10		15	11				85	65					*	*
Fall Creek	D. C. Cook, Route 1, Elk Park			9	8	14		18			10	23				82	86					*	*
Flat Springs	Allen Bunton, Route 1, Elk Park			20	23		23	20	24			52		1		153	83					*	*
Green Valley	George Pittman, Altapass		3	4	6	7	6	4	6		16	18				70	50					*	*
Henson Creek																							
Jonas Ridge	H. R. Clark, Jonas Ridge			6		8	10	7				22		3		56	50					*	*
Minneapolis	R .T. Lewis, Minneapolis	12		16		18	12	10	20		10	20		3		129	120					*	*
Mt. Pleasant	R. F. Horney, Newland			20	15	18	20	12	6		20	10		2		133	75		24		141	*	*
Newland	Bruce Daniels, Newland			20	17	25	20	7			30	42				161			106		104	**	*
Oak Grove	Frank Taylor, Newland			12		18	22					30				82						*	*
Pineola	George Smith, Pineola		5	3	3	8	3	8		2	3	10				45	25	1	41		41	*	*
Pleasant Hill	Raymond Brown, Frank		2	8	10	15	30	3	2	8	13	96		2		177	117	2	71		71	*	*
Pleasant Valley	Noah Hicks, Route 1, Elk Park			4		18					14	14				50	28					*	*
Powder Mill	Howard Thomas, Route 1, Newland			15		15	20	20				20				90						*	*
Roaring Creek	Verl Hughes, Route 1, Newland			18	12	12	10				20	16				88						*	*
Stamey Town	Mason Carpenter, Route 3, Newland			16	14	9		18	10			16				83	52					*	*
Sugar Mountain	Linney Braswell, Route 2, Newland			6	8		12				20					46						*	*
Valley Haven	Will Blair, Banner Elk		6	9	12		15				20			10		68	46	1	21		21	*	*
Whites Memorial																							
Yellow Mountain	Austin Buchanan, Plumtree		6	7	12	8	6	14	8		25	42		7		135	60					*	*

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TABLE C. TRAINING UNION

CHURCHES	TRAINING UNION DIRECTORS AND ADDRESSES	TRAINING UNION ENROLLMENT														
		Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Single	Young People, Married	Adults, 25-34	Adults, 35 and up	General Officers	Mission Enrollment	Grand Total Enrolled	Average Attendance	Number Training Schools	Observe Youth Week?
Aaron																*
Beech Mountain	Lay Trivett, Route 1, Elk Park				5	10	8			11	2		49	30	1	*
Belview																*
Big Meadow																*
Chestnut Dale	Robert Sluder, Route 1, Newland		1	1	4	1	2		1	11	4		25			*
Cranberry	Mrs. Christine Booker, Cranberry		4	8	9	7	6			12			46	20		*
Crossnore	Rex Ayers, Crossnore	6	12	20	18	12	21	23		18	3		133	50	1	**
Elk Park	Dale Shook, Elk Park		6	5	8	9	8		8		9		53	26	2	**
Elk Valley	Fred Blair, Route 1, Elk Park			8	9	8	8	2	8	10	7			30		*
Fairview																*
Fall Creek	Troy Crawford, Route 1, Elk Park		5		7		12		18				43	39		*
Flat Springs	A. V. McGuire, Route 1, Elk Park															*
Green Valley																*
Henson Creek																*
Jonas Ridge	Charles Freeman, Jonas Ridge			4	7	10				12	3		36	30		*
Minneapolis																*
Mt. Pleasant																*
Newland	Mrs. Sherley Blackburn, Newland		5	6	16	14	11	15	27	6			94	55		*
Oak Grove																*
Pineola																*
Pleasant Hill	Ernest Hughes, Plumtree		3	5	12	15	20		20		8		83	60		*
Pleasant Valley																*
Powder Mill																*
Roaring Creek																*
Stamey Town	Mason Carpenter, Route 3, Newland			14		15			17				46	28		*
Sugar Mountain	Mrs. Hugh Braswell, Route 2, Newland			8		10							18			*
Valley Haven	Will Blair, Banner Elk	6	9	12		15			20		6		64	38	1	**
Whites Memorial																*
Yellow Mountain																*

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TABLE G. BUILDING GOALS FOR COMING YEAR—SPECIAL INFORMATION

CHURCHES	Chairmen of Recreation Committees and Addresses	Value of Pastor's Home	Value of Church Property Including Pastor's Home	Money Spent on New Construction, Property, Material, and Equipment, Church	Money Spent on New Construction, Property, Material, and Equip., for Mission Operated by Ch.	Total Church Debt at End of Year	Cooperative Program, % of Total Budget	Association Mission Goal Coming Year	Participate in Relief and Annuity Bd. Protection	Church Have Library?	Church Have Recreation Committee?	Does Church Have Weekday Kindergarten?	Does Church Have Day School?
Aaron			19,200	458.17		500.00			*	*	*	*	*
Beech Mountain			10,000						*	*	*	*	*
Belview			5,000						*	*	*	*	*
Big Meadows					300.00	600.00			*	*	*	*	*
Chestnut Dale									*	*	*	*	*
Cranberry			7,000						*	*	*	*	*
Crossnore		10,000	45,000	683.23			12%		*	*	*	*	*
Elk Park	Mrs. Dale Shook, Elk Park		6,000	1175.00			12%	10.00	*	*	*	*	*
Elk Valley									*	*	*	*	*
Fairview				81.32					*	*	*	*	*
Fall Creek			14,500						*	*	*	*	*
Flat Springs			5,000	302.90					*	*	*	*	*
Green Valley			3,000	256.00					*	*	*	*	*
Henson Creek									*	*	*	*	*
Jonas Ridge			20,000	310.00		4796.00			*	*	*	*	*
Minneapolis			8,000						*	*	*	*	*
Mt. Pleasant			15,000						*	*	*	*	*
Newland		10,700	50,700	4686.80		123.28			*	*	*	*	*
Oak Grove			1,000	456.30					*	*	*	*	*
Pineola									*	*	*	*	*
Pleasant Hill			30,000	3000.00		2775.00			*	*	*	*	*
Pleasant Valley			2,500						*	*	*	*	*
Powder Mill			10,000		4220.28				*	*	*	*	*
Roaring Creek			6,000	42.17					*	*	*	*	*
Stamey Town			10,000			4760.00			*	*	*	*	*
Sugar Mountain			5,000	14.96					*	*	*	*	*
Valley Haven				677.60					*	*	*	*	*
Whites Memorial									*	*	*	*	*
Yellow Mountain				978.65					*	*	*	*	*

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TABLE F. WOMAN'S MISSIONARY UNION

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF W.M.S. AND ADDRESSES	Sunbeam Units	G.A. Units	Y.W.A. Units	W.M.S. Units	Total Units	Sunbeam Enrolled	G.A. Enrolled	Y.W.A. Enrolled	W.M.S. Enrolled	Total Enrolled	Total Tithers All Organizations
Aaron	Mrs. Clyde Sudderth, Montezuma				1	1				15	15	
Belview	Mrs. Rhetta Gouge, Cranberry				1	1				10	10	5
Cranberry	Mrs. E. L. McCoury, Cranberry				1	1				7	7	
Crossnore	Mrs. George Johnson, Crossnore	1	1	1	1	4	30	15	7	26	78	17
Elk Park	Mrs. B. H. Winters, Elk Park	1			1	2	7			10	17	
Newland	Mrs. William Abel, Newland	1	1		1	3	12	14		20	46	
Pleasant Hill	Mrs. Raymond Brown, Route 1, Newland		1		1	2		18		20	38	

TABLE E. BROTHERHOOD WORK

CHURCHES	PRESIDENTS OF MEN'S BROTHERHOODS AND ADDRESSES	CHAIRMEN R. A. COMMITTEE AND ADDRESSES	No. Junior R. A. Chapters	Junior R. A. Enrollment	No. Intermediate R. A. Chapters	Intermediate R. A. Enrollment	Total R. A. Enrollment	Young Men's Brotherhood Enrollment	Men's Brotherhood Enrollment	Total Men	Grand Total Enrollment
Aaron	Clyde Sudderth, Montezuma								12	12	12
Crossnore	William Aldridge, Crossnore	Mr. Joe Henson, Crossnore	1	10	1	10	20		25	25	45
Newland	Fred Taylor, Newland	Vance Buchanan, Jr., Newland	1	6	1	6	12		45	45	57
Pleasant Hill	Earl Greene, Route 1, Newland	Roy Ollis, Route 1, Newland	1	16			16		40	40	56

TABLE D. CHURCH MUSIC

CHURCHES	Minister of Music or Choir Director Of Churches and Addresses	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People	Adult	General Officers	Mission Enrollment	Total Enrollment	Average Attendance	Number Training Schools	September—Church Music Month Observed	No. Copies Church Musician usually Ordered	Names of Hymnal Used in Auditorium
Aaron	Felton Sudderth, Montezuma												*		Broadman Hymnal
Beech Mountain	Mrs. Earleen Church, Route 1, Elk Park												*		
Chestnut Dale	Doris Ann Johnson, Route 1, Newland												*	24	Heavenly-Highway
Cranberry	Bobby Ollis, Cranberry												*		Broadman Hymnal
Crossnore	Mrs. John Cann, Crossnore		15		15		25			55	45	1			Broadman
Elk Park	Mrs. Dale Shook, Elk Park												*		Broadman
Elk Valley	Luther Riddles, Banner Elk												*	48	Church Hymnal
Newland	Mrs. Doris T. Greene, Newland												**		Broadman Hymnal
Sugar Mountain	Gurney Duckworth, Jr., Route 2, Newland												*		Heavenly-Highways
Valley Haven	Will Blair, Banner Elk												*		American Hymnal

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Table H. TOTAL RECEIPTS AND LOCAL EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	TREASURERS AND ADDRESSES	Total Receipts for All Purposes	Grand Total Expenditures for All Purposes	Pastor's Salary	Other Church Staff Salaries	Local Missions Operated by Church	Other Local Expenses	Grand Total Local Expenses
Aaron	S. E. Pritchard, Montezuma	1903.04	2291.61	879.31			1412.30	2291.61
Beech Mountain	Truman Church, Route 1, Elk Park	1683.14	1689.24	681.04	100.00		744.59	1525.63
Belview	Maynard Ollis, Cranberry	2255.03	2233.11	927.34	278.27	191.30	604.09	2047.11
Big Meadows	Lawrence Carpenter, Route 3, Newland		2010.21	480.00	338.31		1017.04	1835.85
Chestnut Dale		1560.00	1504.29	480.00	47.35		64.00	591.35
Cranberry	Mrs. Mildred Greene, Cranberry	1613.49	1340.23	165.00	180.00		890.42	1235.42
Crossnore	Lois W. Clark, Crossnore	9502.75	9036.63	2617.60	360.00		1746.52	4724.12
Elk Park	Clarence Carroll, Elk Park	4308.50	3223.62	1200.00	142.50		146.26	1488.76
Elk Valley	Mrs. Floy Aldridge, Route 1, Box 16, Banner Elk	2198.21	2198.21	720.00	120.00		1278.32	2118.32
Fairview	Avery Buchanan, Route 2, Spruce Pine	752.80	523.01	347.36	85.00		190.65	523.01
Fall Creek	Mrs. Beulah Dugger, Route 1, Elk Park	1518.50	1444.90	600.00	363.00	5.03	476.87	1444.90
Flat Springs	J. M. Harmon, Beech Creek	980.47	988.18	329.85	60.00		445.58	835.48
Green Valley	Wise Hall, Route 1, Spruce Pine		1509.24	490.00	168.00		553.66	1348.27
Henson Creek								
Jonas Ridge	Grace Reece, Jonas Ridge	2145.93	2119.33	656.50			629.42	1285.92
Minneapolis	R. T. Lewis, Minneapolis	4572.15	4239.58	900.00	120.00	521.47	2780.50	4321.97
Mt. Pleasant	Edward M. Burleson, Jr., Route 3, Newland	1627.66		900.00	72.00	100.00	570.72	1642.72
Newland	Finley Banner, Newland	8390.95	8169.14	3380.00	390.00		3478.99	7248.99
Oak Grove	Duard Cornett, Newland	1059.30	1059.30	603.00			456.30	1059.30
Pineola	Mrs. William Holtsclaw, Pineola	282.12	266.20	288.00	120.00	50.00	47.08	505.08
Pleasant Hill	Roy W. Ollis, Frank	6946.00	9947.00	2400.00	375.00		6809.00	9584.00
Pleasant Valley	Robert Hicks, Elk Park		285.40	150.65	52.75		62.25	265.65
Powder Mill	T. J. Greene, Route 1, Newland		385.00	350.00			35.00	385.00
Roaring Creek	Evia Hughes, Route 1, Newland		356.64	130.95	41.84		104.23	217.02
Stamey Town	Mrs. Claude Pyatte, Route 3, Newland	2113.45	1830.94	360.00	54.00		1381.13	1795.13
Sugar Mountain	Mrs. Floyd Banner, Route 2, Newland	2630.73	596.89	353.35	85.00		72.85	511.10
Valley Haven	Mrs. Larry Draughan, Banner Elk	949.49	840.36	272.38			70.29	343.67
Whites Memorial								
Yellow Mountain	T. J. Greene, Route 3, Newland	2015.73	2067.98	480.00	192.00			672.00

Table I MISSION EXPENDITURES

CHURCHES	CLERK OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Designated Association	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Designated Christian Education, Schools	Designated Children's Homes	Designated Hospitals	Other objects Bible Society, Homes for Aged, etc.	Total Mission Expenditures
Aaron	S. E. Pritchard, Montezuma										
Beech Mountain	John Trivett, Route 1, Elk Park	53.61	15.00	16.47				32.36	21.87	24.30	163.61
Belview	Julius Ollis, Cranberry	8.00		10.00	14.80	22.20		85.00	25.00	25.00	190.00
Big Meadows	Mrs. L. W. Carpenter, Route 3, Newland							145.36	29.00		174.36
Chestnut Dale	J. C. Isaacs, Route 1, Newland							26.00	22.00		48.00
Cranberry	Mrs. Mildred Greene, Cranberry	9.13			13.55	21.65	10.48	25.00	25.00		104.81
Crossnore	Nell S. Aldridge, Crossnore	617.48		10.00	35.50	69.50	10.00	15.00	25.00	20.95	817.43
Elk Park	Erlene Winters, Elk Park	165.00		25.00	25.00	25.00		50.00			290.00
Elk Valley	Lonnie Aldridge, Route 1, Banner Elk				11.35			35.00	18.54	15.00	79.89
Fairview	Frances Woody, Route 2, Spruce Pine							62.00	21.60		83.60
Fall Creek	Mack Cook, Route 1, Elk Park							81.05	12.50	36.75	130.30
Flat Springs	J. M. Harmon, Beech Creek										
Green Valley	Wise Hall, Route 1, Spruce Pine				74.36		56.51		30.20		161.07
Henson Creek											
Jonas Ridge	Grace Rose, Jonas Ridge							192.05	10.50	12.00	214.55
Minneapolis	Helen Grindstaff, Minneapolis							144.12	101.00	50.00	295.12
Mt. Pleasant	Loren Burleson, Route 3, Newland										
Newland	Finley Banner, Newland	427.55		8.00	35.51	175.77		173.32		100.00	920.15
Oak Grove	Duard Cornett, Newland								14.00		14.00
Pineola	Mrs. R. W. Moir, Pineola	20.00						35.00			55.00
Pleasant Hill	Lawrence Ollis, Frank		15.00		12.00	203.00		90.00	23.00	20.00	363.00
Pleasant Valley								7.50	8.75	3.50	19.75
Powder Mill	George Watson, Route 1, Newland										
Roaring Creek	Evia Hughes, Route 1, Newland				32.26			5.19			37.45
Stamey Town	Mamie Dellinger, Route 2, Newland								14.71	21.10	35.81
Sugar Mountain	Mrs. Leo Braswell, Route 2, Newland							12.00	12.00		24.00
Valley Haven	Mr. Joe B. Perry, Banner Elk	20.44		7.48	12.64			16.88	25.15		82.59
Whites Memorial											
Yellow Mountain	Russell Stafford, Plumtree										

SUMMARY TABLE—Use only where nine individual tables not used

Location R. V. T. C.	Year Organized	Services—indicate 1-2-3-4	CHURCHES (Please Type or Print in Alphabetical Order)	Names of Pastors and Full Addresses	Baptisms Reported	Additions by Letter	Total Membership (Including Non-Resident)	Sunday School Enrollment (Including Mission Schools)	Vacation Bible School Enrollment	Training Union Enrollment	W.M.U. Enrollment	Brotherhood Enrollment	Total Value Church Property (Including Pastor's Home) (Do not report cents but nearest dollar)	Total Receipts For All Purposes (Do not report cents but nearest dollar)	Total Mission Expenditures (Do not report cents but nearest dollar)	Pastor's Annual Salary (Do not report cents but nearest dollar)
V		3	Aaron	Marvin Smith, Route 2, Newland		2	122	95	60		15	12	19,200.00	1903.00		879.00
R	1869	2	Beech Mountain	L. W. Hagaman, Reece	3	2	164	97		49			10,000.00	1683.00	163.00	681.00
R	1922	2	Belview	Spencer McCloud, Cranberry	1		125	85			10		5,000.00	2255.00	190.00	927.00
R	1845	3	Big Meadows	Charlie Woody, Route 2, Spruce Pine	3		152	85							174.00	480.00
R		2	Chestnut Dale	Homer Murrdock, Route 2, Spruce Pine	5		50	50		25				1560.00	48.00	
V	1908	2	Cranberry	Robert Davis, Cranberry		4	165	119	58	46	7		7,000.00	1613.00	104.00	360.00
V	1907	4	Crossnore	John M. Cann, Crossnore	20	6	282	325	114	133	78	45	45,000.00	9503.00	817.00	3600.00
T	1923	4	Elk Park	Haskell Ingram, Box 4, Hampton, Tenn.	13	2	94	70	71	53	17		6,000.00	4308.00	290.00	1200.00
R	1882	2	Elk Valley	D. N. Jones, Route 1, Elk Park		2	195	90						2198.00	80.00	720.00
V	1940	2	Fairview	Lloyd Shell, Route 2, Marion	3	1	99	85						753.00		347.00
R	1885	2	Fall Creek	D. N. Jones, Route 1, Elk Park	9	3	194	82		43			14,500.00	1518.00	83.00	
R	1902	2	Flat Springs	Ronda Earp, Vilas	3	3	247	153					5,000.00	981.00	130.00	310.00
R	1886	2	Green Valley Henson Creek	William Grindstaff, Rt. 2, Spruce Pine		2	93	70					3,000.00		161.00	480.00
V	1881	4	Jonas Ridge	J. A. Revels, 424—25th St., S.W., Hickory			62	56		36			20,000.00	2146.00	214.00	656.00
V		2	Minneapolis	D. N. Jones, Route 1, Elk Park		5	158	129					8,000.00	4572.00	295.00	900.00
R	1869	2	Mt. Pleasant	Marvin Smith, Route 2, Newland			105	133	141				15,000.00	1628.00		900.00
T	1921	4	Newland	William Abel, Newland	21	12	264	161	106	94	46	57	50,700.00	8391.00	920.00	3380.00
R		4	Oak Grove	Marvin Smith, Route 2, Newland		1	80	82						1059.00	14.00	603.00
V	1920	2	Pineola	Frank Parsons, Bakersville	2	8	61	45	41		10			282.00	55.00	288.00
R	1905	2	Pleasant Hill	Mack Hodges, Box 195, Bakersville	6		371	177	71	83	38	56	30,000.00	6946.00	363.00	2400.00
R	1893	2	Pleasant Valley	Russell Potter, Elizabethton, Tenn.	2		138	50					2,500.00		19.00	151.00
R	1914	2	Powder Mill	G. H. Dellinger, Route 3, Newland	6		89	90					10,000.00			
R	1871	2	Roaring Creek	Garfield Hughes, Route 1, Newland	8		120	88					6,000.00		37.00	131.00
R	1947	2	Stamey Town	Lloyd Shell, Route 2, Marion	3	2	44	83		46			10,000.00	2113.00	35.00	360.00
R	1950	2	Sugar Mountain	Ted Braswell, Spruce Pine	1		53	46		18			5,000.00	2631.00	24.00	353.00
R	1948	2	Valley Haven Whites Memorial	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk	2	4	64	68	21	64				949.00	82.00	222.00
R		2	Yellow Mountain	Roby Painter, Route 1, Banner Elk	3	2	135	135						2016.00		480.00
				TOTALS	114	61	3726	2749	683	690	221	170	271,900.00	61,008.00	4298.00	20,808.00

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MINUTES

of the

AVERY COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

North Carolina

1960

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Forty-Ninth Annual Session

Held With

OAK GROVE AND STAMEY TOWN CHURCHES

August 4th and 5th, 1960

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— OFFICERS —

Rev. G. H. Dellinger _____ Moderator
Rev. William A. Abel _____ Vice Moderator
K. L. Haga _____ Historian
W. W. Braswell _____ Clerk & Treasurer

Next Session will be held with Aaron Church August 2nd, 1961 and with Jonas Ridge Church on August 3rd, 1961.

DIRECTORY OF THE ASSOCIATION

Moderator	Rev. G. H. Dellinger
Vice Moderator	Rev. John Cann
Clerk-Treasurer	W. W. Braswell
Historian	K. L. Haga

EXECUTIVE MEMBERS

R. T. Lewis
John Hayes

COMMITTEES TO REPORT AT NEXT SESSION

Cooperative Program	William Able
Periodicals	John Cann
Temperance	Dayton Jones
Education	Frank Ellis
Brotherhood	Mack Hodge
Homes for Children	Lloyd Shell
Homes for Aged	Marvin Smith
Evangelism	Haskel Ingram
Obituaries	Mrs. Robert Banner
Hospital	Junior Smith
Relief and Annuity	Homer Murdock

DELEGATES LISTED

AARON: Mrs. Ray Braswell, W. W. Braswell, John Hayes, Mrs. Verda Hayes.

BEECH MOUNTAIN: Finley Truitt, John Truitt, Tom Cook

BELVIEW: Julius Ollis, Grace Ollis, Dorris Shell.

BIG MEADOW: Jones Stamey, Mrs. Jones Stamey, Homer Callaway, Patsy Callaway.

CHESTNUT DALE: Herman Huffman, Jennie Hicks, Condley Huffman.

CRANBERRY: B. H. Nicely, Mrs. Edythe Brown, Mrs. Nell McCanry, Jeanne Ollis.

CROSSNORE: Ken Johnson, Mrs. Mary Johnson, Geneva Mohr, Mrs. John Webb.

ELK PARK: Mrs. Haskel Ingram, Jr., Phyllis Pritchard Carolyn Trinette, Nancy Ingram.

ELK VALLEY: Earnest McGuire, Dennis Cook, Don Harney Earl Carver.

FALL CREEK: George Crawford, Canard Cook, Judd Jones Herley Smith.

FLAT SPRINGS: Joseph Norris, Don M. Greene, Clayton Estep.

GREENE VALLEY: Fritz Hall, Mrs. Fritz Hall, Roland McClellan, Mrs. Roland McClellan.

JONAS RIDGE: Charles Freeman, Mrs. Charles Freeman, L. T. Shell.

MINNEAPOLIS: Charlie Grindstaff, Waits Holtsclaw, R. T Lewis, Vernal Holtsclaw.

MT. PLEASANT: Omer Thompson, Mrs. Omer Thompson Melvin Clark, Mrs. Melvin Clark.

NEWLAND: R. A. Shomaker, Mrs. Beatrice T. Banner, Mrs J. T. Tanner, Mrs. C. M. Lecka.

OAK GROVE: Frank Taylor, Dean Taylor, Melba Vance.

PINEOLA: Mr. George Smith, Mrs. George Smith, Mr. Sterling Vance, Mrs. Sterling Vance.

PLEASANT HILL: Arnold Thomas, Mrs. Homer Pittman Raymond Brown, Verne Ollis.

POWDER MILL: Howard Thomas, Rosa Thomas, Will McKinney, Pearl Freeman.

ROARING CREEK: Clifford King, Laura King, Mrs. Guy Blair, Mrs. Clayton Hughes.

STAMEY TOWN: Roscoe Haney, Mrs. Roscoe Haney, Mrs Orville Harmon, Bonnie Burleson.

SUGAR MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Hugh Braswell, Mr. Linnie Braswell, Gurney Duckworth.

VALLEY HAVEN: Mrs. Carrie Hodgen, Mrs. Dennis Brotherton, Mrs. Lucile Shook, Mrs. Stewart Berry.

WHITES MEMORIAL: G. C. Buchanan, Frank Vance, J. H Carpenter.

YELLOW MOUNTAIN: Vester Stafford, Tom Greene Dixie Pritchard, Faithie Buchanan.

CONSTITUTION

Art. 1. This body shall be known as the Avery County Baptist Association.

Membership

Art. 2. The membership shall consist of duly elected delegates from the various churches connected with this body, and all ordained ministers who are members of, or laboring in connection with said churches. Each church of 100 members or less shall be entitled to three delegates, and every additional fifty or major fraction an additional delegate.

Objects

Art 3. The objects shall be to devise and recommend measures for increasing harmony, the intelligence and Spiritual power of the churches and for directing and developing their gifts in advancing the Redeemer's Kingdom in the earth.

Power and Prerogatives

Art. 4. The Association shall not have power to infringe upon the sovergnity or rights of the churches. It is neither an ecclesiastical legislature, nor council nor court of appeals. It may advise the churches and recommend measures of usefulness for their adoption but cannot bind them in any way, yet in view of the combined wisdom, piety and intelligence of the body it may justly claim for itself, for its objects and for its recommendations the very highest consideration and regard.

Art. 5. The Association may dissolve connection with any church that becomes not orthodox in doctrine or disorderly in practice, or that fails to represent itself either by delegates or letter more than two successive sessions without sufficient reason, or that treats with contempt its objects and requirements, or upon application of a church for admission.

Rights of Churches

Art. 6. Each individual church shall hold and exercise all the functions of an independent Church of Jesus Christ. As consistent members of the Association, the Churches have the rights to advise when desired in a case of difficulty and to suggest plans to usefulness to be adopted. If at any time the Association shall assume unwarranted powers over the churches they shall have the right to dissolve their connection with te body.

Duties of the Churches

Art. 7. It shall be the duty of the churches to appoint as delegates as far as practicable their most capable members, to insist upon their attendance and to send by them a contribution to the Association funds to pay for printing minutes and other necessary expenses. It shall be the duty of the churches to have their associational letter read and approved and mailed to the Clerk of the Association 10 days before time for the Association to meet.

Officers

Art. 8. The officers of the Association shall be: Moderator, Vice-Moderator, Clerk-Treasurer (one person) Historian, Sunday School Superintendent, Training Union Director, Music Director, and an Executive Committee consisting of the officers of the Association, and two lay-members elected from the body of the Association. Their terms of office to begin at the conclusion of the session at which they are elected and continue till the close of the next session. All officers provided for in this article to be members of a Baptist Church belonging to this Association.

Duties of the Officers

Art. 9. It shall be the duty of the Moderator to open the meeting punctually at the time appointed, to enforce the rules, to keep order and to exercise all the prerogatives of a presiding officer according to the principles.

Art. 10. It shall be the duty of the Vice-Moderator to assist the Moderator in the executive rulings of the Associational Meetings and in the absence of the Moderator to serve as presiding officer.

Art. 11. It shall be the duty of the Clerk to keep faithful record of the proceedings of the body and together with a publishing committee which shall consist of the Moderator and two other members of the Association, publish the minutes and other important documents belonging to the Body. He may appoint an assistant when necessary.

Art. 12. It shall be the duty of the Historian to preserve important data of the Association.

Art. 13. This Constitution may be altered at any annual session of the body by a vote of two-thirds of the members.

RULES OF ORDER

I. Meetings

1. The Association shall meet annually at the time and place of its own selection.

2. During each session the Association shall meet and adjourn from day to day at the hour fixed by the body.

3. All meetings shall be opened and closed with a devotional period.

4. A majority of the members present shall be a quorum for the transaction of business.

5. No person shall speak more than twice and not longer than twenty minutes on any subject without permission of the Body.

6. No members shall be allowed to stand up, talk, read or move about during the business except to gain or impart information on the subject under discussion.

II. Business

1. Call the roll of the churches and enroll delegates.
2. Reading of letters shall be referred to Committee on State of Churches.
3. Investigate the failure of churches to be represented at the previous meetings.
4. Receive new churches.
5. Invite visitors to be seated.
6. Fill any vacancy in organization.
7. Appointment of Committees.
8. Adopt and follow report of Committee on Order of Business as to subjects and discussion.
9. Election of officers.
10. Miscellaneous business shall be provided for at the pleasure of the Body.
11. All Customs of order herein provided for shall be decided by the rules of Mells Parlimentary Practice.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL SESSION OF THE AVERY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

August 4, 1960

The Avery County Baptist Association met today with Oak Grove Baptist Church and transacted the following business to wit:

1. Two hymns were sung by the congregation. These, and all the singing was led by the County music director, Mr. Kenneth Johnson.
2. The Association was called into session and business order by the moderator, Rev. G. H. Dellinger.
3. The opening devotion was conducted by Rev. Marvin Smith, Pastor of Oak Grove Church. He also made the welcoming address to the delegates of the Association.
4. Roll call of the Churches resulted in 26 of the 29 Churches answering present. The absent Churches were Henson Creek, Pleasant Valley and Fairview. This was the 2nd, year that Henson Creek has failed to be represented in the Association.
5. The following committees were appointed at this time: Resolutions—Frank Parsons and Ira Hodges. Time, Place and Preacher—Dayton Jones, J. A. Webb and H. E. Huffman.
6. The program was at this time adopted with some minor changes in order to fit the convenience of some of the participants.
7. Report on Finance was called for and was given by W. W. Braswell, Treasurer.

FINANCE REPORT FOR 1959-1960

I have received, during and since the Association of 1959 and through Associational year of 1960 a total of $674.44. I have spent $396.60, which leaves on hand $277.84. This is in Avery County Bank. All payments are made by check.

Respectfully submitted,

W. W. Braswell, Treasurer

8. Report of the Executive Committee was given by W. W. Braswell, Clerk.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

Saturday April 16th, 1960

The Executive Committee of the Avery County Baptist Association met with the Crossnore Baptist Church at 10 a.m. today and transacted the following business, to-wit:

The Devotional was brought by Rev. John Cann from Mat. 28. "The Commission."

The following were present: Bro. G. H. Dellinger, John Cann, William M. Abel, John Webb, Kenneth Johnson and W. W. Braswell.

The idea of our Church taking part, and of cooperating with the church program. It was pointed out that workers who are appointed to a duty and responsibility. He pledged to do the duty or task appointed before being appointed.

The Committee will present to the Association the idea of employing a part time Associational worker to work county wide and the Committee is to contact the state board and learn what the requirements are and what amount the state department will supplement the local work.

Bro. John Cann is to report to the next executive session just what the state board will pay and what the requirements are.

The committee to be called on notice from the clerk.

W. W. Braswell
Secretary-Treasurer

Saturday June 16, 1960

The Executive Committee of the Avery County Baptist Association met in Newland Baptist Church on Saturday June 16, 1960 with the following members present: Bro. G. H. Dellinger, William A. Abel, J. A. Webb, Charles Freeman, Kenneth Johnson and W. W. Braswell. Mr. J. T. Tanner was absent. The two lay members had not been notified and the clerk did not have their names.

The times of meeting were set for April 2nd at 10 a.m. and July 2nd at 10 a.m. and the places: April meeting, Crossnore; July meeting in Newland.

The Committee who are to report to next session are to prepare written reports and it is thought good for the writer to speak on the report on the responsibility of having a speaker prepared to speak. These are to be invited to the April meeting.

The idea of a full time church worker or Missionary was discussed and much interest was expressed. The thought was to be carried into the April meeting.

The clerk was directed to write the church clerk of Hanson Creek as to why they were not represented in the association.

Bros. Abel and Cann were directed to write each church, that has not paid, for a contribution for Associational expense.

The Associational Program was partly blocked out.

Approved on motion, April 16, 1960.

W. W. Braswell, Treasurer-Clerk

9. The election of officers was gone into and resulted as follows: Moderator—G. H. Dellinger; Vice Moderator—John Cann; Historian—K. L. Haga; Clerk-Treasurer—W. W. Braswell. Laymen on the Executive Committee—R. T. Lewis and John Hayes.

10. Report on Relief and Annuity was given by Haskell Ingram.

RELIEF AND ANNUITY BOARD

Associational Report
1960

BENEFITS PAID—

Over $31½ million has been paid out by the Relief and Annuity Board during its 42 years of operation. Benefits paid through the various retirement plans alone totaled more than $24½ million while the remainder was paid to beneficiaries on the relief rolls. In 1959, benefits amounting to $2,267,455.85 was paid to more than 5300 retired or disabled ministers and denominational workers or widows

NEW MEMBERS—

A 10 per cent increase in new members in all the retirement plans, 3,026, was recorded for 1959 over the previous year. At the end of the year, 20,741 ministers and denominational workers were participating in the plans with more than 12,000 churches and agencies cooperating. The Southern Baptist Protection Plan, the Annuity Board's basic plan for ministers, enrolled 1,627 new members last year, the largest increase for a single plan.

CHURCHES URGED TO PAY 10 PER CENT—

Last year marked the beginning of a concentrated effort by the Annuity Board which encouraged churches to assume the cost of the Protection Plan for their pastors. The cost is ten percent of the pastors salary up to a miximum of $4,000. Annuity Board records indicate that approximately 20 per cent of the churches now enlisted in the program are paying the 10 per cent dues.

As a part of the concentrated promotion effort, ever state convention has pledged its support to the Annuity Board in trying to reach its goal of a minimum of 75 per cent of Southern Baptist churches and pastors enlisted in the protection program by January 1, 1961. A few states have already reached the 75 per cent and are pushing ahead toward 100 per cent participation.

The Annuity Board's program is set up so that each state has its individual retirement plans, and the administration of these is handled apart from other states. The strength or weakness of a state's retirement program depends wholly on the participation by churches and pastors in that state.

CHURCHES IN PROTECTION PLAN—ACCORDING TO SIZE—

There are 23,085 churches in the Southern Baptist Convention reporting membership under 300. Out of this group, the Annuity Board reports only 5,110 participating in their program. The majority of the churches in the Board's retirement plan, 6,008 come from the remaining 8,821 churches. The smaller churches reporting the least number participating are the ones needing the protection most. A salary survey shows pastors of these churches make on the average, only $2,480 a year.

STATE OFFICERS—

Requests for information and applications should be mailed to Retirement Plans, Ottis J. Hagler, 301 Hillsboro Street, Raleight, North Carolina.

It is hoped that our churches and pastors will give serious thought to this important matter to secure our ministers and other full-time workers in their old age.

Respectfully submitted
Haskel Ingram Jr.

On motion adopted August 4, 1960.

11. At this time the Association was favored with an address on Christian Education by Rev. C. B. Hollingsworth. He very vividly pointed out the world crisis and the necessity of having an educated leadership in our Churches and an understanding of world conditions in order that our present civilization does not destroy itself.

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOL WORK

A meeting was called of the Association workers. We met at Crossnore Baptist Church. Mr. Billy Rivers met with us and showed films of Association work.

Mr. John Hayes reported he visited all his five churches. He said all had made progress.

All the churches that reported at our Sunday School Convention had good reports.

We are all glad to report that most of our Churches are having more classrooms added.

I am glad to report that a good many of our churches have adopted one night a week for visitations which is helping to get our people out to church.

Sincerely Your,
John Webb

Adopted on motion.

MINUTES OF THE AVERY COUNTY BAPTIST SUNDAY SCHOOL CONVENTION

July 22, 1960

The Avery County Sunday School Convention met with Chestnutdale Baptist Church today, at 10:00 a.m., and transacted the following business to-wit:

The meeting was called to order by Mr. John Webb, the County Superintendent. A congregational hymn was sung, "Draw Me Nearer," led by John Hayes of Aaron Church, Mrs. Beatrice Teague Banner, the Pianist was present and played the instrumental. The devotion was led by Rev. John Cann, Pastor of Crossnore Church. The theme was taken from 2nd Timothy, 4th Chapter, 1st—8th, verses.

A class of Junior girls from Minneapolis Church rendered a musical number in place of Pleasant Hill choir.

The roll of Sunday Schools was called at this time and 19 of the 29 S. Schools answered with 78 official representatives present. The Superintendent requested reports from the Representatives and the 19 made oral reports, and it appears that both material and spiritual progress is being made. It was reported that Aaron, Chestnutdale, Sugar Mountain, Minneapolis, Elk Park and possibly other Churches are building and or expanding their buildings. It was also shown that quite a substantial increase in Church membership has taken place during the past year through the Sunday Schools and Vacation Bible School work, all pointing to the importance of working with the young people of the Churches.

The following committies were appointed by the Chairman: Nominations: Mack Hartley, Robey T. Lewis Rev. John Cann. Time Place and Preacher: McKinney Gouge and Huffman.

Some discussion was had on ways and means of financing the Convention. It was decided to accept a public offering which was done and resulted in $21.80.

It was moved and carried that the Divisional plan as adopted at last annual meeting be continued for the coming year. It was emphasized that the duties of the divisional workers be laid out and made plain to them.

The Annual sermon was brought by Rev. Erbie McKinnie, Pastor of Jonas Ridge Church. The text was taken from Matthew 16th chapter, verses 13 to 18. "Upon this rock will I Build my Church."

The Convention adiourned for lunch which was served in picnic style on the ground by the ladies of Chestnut Dale Church.

The Convention reconvened promptly at 1 p.m., according to adiournment and transacted the following business: to-wit:

The afternoon devotion was conducted by Rev. Marvin Smith, Pastor of Aaron Church. The theme was Knowing how you stand spiritually, based on Paul's statement, "I know whom I have believed, etc."

Report of Committee on Time-Place and Preacher was as follows: Time July 21, 1961, Place Pleasant Hill, Preacher Rev. Homer Murdock Alternate Spencer McCloud. The report was adopted by the body of the Convention.

Report of Committee on Nominations was as follows: Supt. John Webb, Assistant Supt. John Hayes, Clerk-Treas., W. W. Braswell.

The report was adopted by the Convention.

Two more numbers were rendered and greatly enjoyed by the Minneapolis Junior girls. Report on goals for 1961 was given by Rev. Mack Hodges which was, more Love for Each Other.

The minutes were read and approved. Convention adjourned until July 21, 1961.

W. W. Braswell-Clerk

13. The annual sermon was delivered by Rev. Dayton Jones. He substituted for Rev. William Grindstaff. The theme was taken from the 10th chapter of St. Luke, 25 to 35 verses.

14. Lunch was served on the grounds.

AFTERNOON

The Association met promptly at 1:00 P. M.

1. Congregational singing and the Devotion was brought by John Cann, Pastor of Crossnore Church.

2. The Training Union Report was given by Mrs. Charles Freeman in the absence of her husband, Mr. Charles Freeman.

TRAINING UNION REPORT

"Train up a child in the way he should go; and when he is old, he will not depart from it." Proverbs 22:6.

This year has been a great year for those working in the Training Union Department. As we go about our respective jobs we grow closer to God each day. In Training Union every person has a part. We are stressing especially the daily reading of our bible, this being a requirement in the Union we feel like every boy and girl, man and woman grows to be a stronger christian by studying Gods word.

There is not a Training Union in every church in the association, but the ones we do have are doing a great part toward the building of Gods kingdom. Those of you who do not have a Union in your church, may I take this opportunity to ask you please to encourage your people in your church to realize the value and the great need of a Training Union, and by the end of the coming year see if we can't have a Training Union in every church in our entire association. Lets let this be our goal for the new year. We now have 14 unions in the association with three new ones in the process of being organized, Aaron, Oak Grove and Mt. Pleasant. We feel by this that our prayers are being answered.

The following officers were elected to serve you during the coming year, with your support I am sure they will do a wonderful job:

Director	Mrs. Johnnie B. McCoury, Elk Park
Assistant Director	Charles Freeman, Jonas Ridge
Promotion Director	Kenneth Johnson, Crossnore
Young Peoples Leader	Mrs. Betty Lacey, Newland
Intermediate Leader	Vance Buchanan, Jr., Newland
Primary Leader	Johnny Shell, Jonas Ridge
Beginner Leader	Gloria Ollis, Cranberry
Nursery Leader	Mrs. Howard Turbyfill, Newland
Junior Leader	Mrs. Bob Davis, Cranberry
Song Leader	Kenneth Johnson, Crossnore
Assist. Song Leader	Mrs. Doris Greene, Newland
Pianist	Mrs. Johnny Cann, Crossnore
Assist. Pianist	Mrs. Beatrice Banner, Newland
Sec. & Treasurer	Mrs. Christine Booker, Cranberry
Pastor Advisor,	Rev. Bob Davis, Cranberry

It has been a wonderful opportunity and I consider it a great priviledge to have worked with you people as director this past year. Lets pray and work together harder in 1960-61 than ever before, if we will do this our Training Unions will surely grow.

Respectfully submitted.
Charles F. Freeman

3. Report on Temperance was given by Rev. Mack Hodge.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

The word "Temperance means Habitual moderation in the indulgence of the appetites and passions; specifically, moderation in, or abstinence from, the use of intoxicating liquors."

Temperance is a social problem and it takes in the whole life. We are confronted with many social problems. May God help us to deal with these very important and vital issues in a Christian manner. Why are we so slow and reluctant in doing anything about these social situations which affect the whole of life?

"We believe that there is a lack of social consciousness and social concern on the part of the churches for social issues. Many sincere church men feel that the only business of the church is to proclaim the gospel and to save souls for the next world. Consequently, our church people have been indoctrinated with an individualistic cushioned-pew piety which holds to the view that Christianity is a private love affair between the church member and God. The social dimension of the Christian faith is often obscured by a cloud of other worldly theological dust by the preachers in their pulpits on Sunday. We have been long on theology and short on social responsibility. We have talked much about services held and done too little about services rendered. We bow in pious prostration before the Lord with our perosnal problems, but kick our social responsibilities under the bed while he is not looking."

We need to give an answer of yes to Cain's question of "am I my brother's keeper?" Then we need to do something about our brother's moral and social welfare. This is a Christian responsibility whether we acknowledge it or not. Jesus "must needs go through Samaria," we believe that He went that way to show us and his disciples that we are responsible for them as well as others. We are not as Christian as we should be until all men and their problems and needs are our concern.

Beverage alcohol is one of the greatest curses of our day, because it is a curse in so many ways.

It is a curse financially. The $9,500,000,000 annual expenditure is a total waste, and for everyone of the 2,500,000,000 tax dollars on alcholic beverages, about five more have to be taken in from other taxes to care for known alcohol caused expenses.

It is a curse physically. Alcoholism is the nation's number two health problem, being exceeded only by heart disease, alcoholism is about three times more prevalent than tuberculosis, five times more prevalent than cancer, and 100 times more prevalent than polio.

It is a curse morally. The industry estimates that beer is found in two out of three homes in America. This a major factor in the break-up of homes and family life over the nation. One result of the destructive effect of beverage alcohol on family life is seen in the divorce courts.

We are told that 83% of the children in our Baptist Children's homes in North Carolina have come from homes broken by the use of beverage alcohol.

Numerical statistics do not and never can show the full results of the use of beverage alcohol on the home and family life of our nation. The tragic results go deeper than figures can reveal. The use of this narotic drug is the active agent in conflict and disintegration deep within the heart of our spiritual and social culture. This appalling situation is evident to all who care enough to face the facts and who are honest enough to admit them.

Let us educate our people young and old to the dangers of this terrible menance. One has rightly said "beverage alcohol is good in its place, but its place is in Hell." God and the Bible is against it and we have no other choice but to lift our voices in unison against it.

May God give us courage, and Holy boldness to fight this menace and greatest of enemies to society.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Mack Hodge

4. Report on Hospitals was given by Rev. Ira Hodges and spoken on by Dr. McGee of Winston, Salem.

NORTH CAROLINA BAPTIST HOSPITAL REPORT

We have a great hospital at Winston Salem for which we are truly grateful. There, many of our sick ones are cared for, especially those who are seriously sick and unable to receive treatments in their local communities. The hospital is well equiped to care for such cases. The patients not only receive treatment for physical ailments, but they receive help spiritually also.

The hospital is also a training center for nurses, doctors, and others who are preparing to work with the sick.

If one wishes to have treatment there, the appointments should be made in advance. Those who are able to pay, may make an appointment in the Private Clinic. Those who cannot pay all the expenses, should make an appointment in the Out-Patient Department. There they will receive a thorough examination and be given the proper treatment. It is well to have the pastor of such patients call and make appointment. Doctors who wish to send patients to the hospital should make the appointment. It should be stated when a patient is admitted how much they will be able to pay. This will save embarrassment when the patient leaves the hospital and will mean that they are in no-wise deprived of the best medical care.

We suggest that every one of our churches support this work by taking a special offering on Mother's Day for the hospital. We believe that our churches will be blessed by doing this and that the many who are sick may thereby receive help.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Ira Hodges

5. Miscellaneous Business:

A. The fiscal year for the Churches to cover in their reports was set out as from July 1, through June 30, of each year.
B. Rev. K. L. Haga and Rev. L. W. Sudderth were appointed to work with the Clerk on publication of the Minutes. Adjourned until tomorrow, Aug. 5, 9:30 a.m.

PROCEDINGS OF THE SECOND DAY

August 5, 1960

The Association met according to adjournment, at 9:30 a.m. and transacted the following business, to-wit:

1. Opened with congregational singing led by the County music director. The Devotional lesson was brought by Rev. Frank Ellis of the Mitchell County Association.

2. The report on Christian Literature was given by Rev. Frank Parsons, Pastor of Pineola Church.

Report on Christian Literature

Christian Literature if it is the right kind it begins with the Bible and it continues with the Bible.

First Timothy 4-13 "Till I come, give attendance to READING."

Matthew 28-19, 20 "Go ye therefore, and teach all nations . . . Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you."

Second Timothy 2-15 "STUDY . . . rightly dividing the word of truth."

Never before has there been so much to read, as the world has today and never has there been so much reading as now. And much of it is very dangerous and bad, because the devil is using the printed pages on a world wide scale and covering the world and the minds and the hearts of people with his bad things and such awful printed matters. There is nothing too bad for the devil to have pictured or printed. One great danger is, the things people read have a great influence on their talk and actions in their daily living.

So the need is world wide and a serious must for to have in every home and in every life the proper Christian reading matters, that is Bible based. If what is read is Bible based it will be a mighty force for good and for God in our own hearts and minds and life and also the same with all who continue to read Bible based Christian reading.

Missionary Baptists have a wonderful program and an abundance of rich printed materials for the Churches, Teachers, Homes, Church Members, both young and old.

No literature or printed matter is superior to the Bible or to Baptist Literature, publications and periodicals. We all can read and enjoy and profit greatly by reading these. God speaks to us and challenges us, and inspires and informs us thru reading these.

O what a challenge and an eternal need now of doing more and more Bible reading and studying. Those of Baptist faith and desire need to read the valuable Missionary Baptist literature, publications and periodicals. Baptists have the right kind to read and study and teach. So see your Baptist Pastor to get these for you and for your family, home and church. And continue to read and profit by the best.

Respectfully submitted,
Rev. Frank Parsons

Adopted on motion, August 5th.

3. The report on the Cooperative Program was brought by Rev. John Cann, pastor of Crossnore Church, and was spoken on by Rev. Guy King of Boone, North Carolina.

The Cooperative Program

The Cooperative Program in essence is an agreement between the Southern Baptist Convention and the Conventions of the various states included in the Convention through which we as Southern Baptists unite our efforts and combine our resources in carrying out the commission which Christ gave to us to go into all the world. The Cooperative Program is asymbol of our unity and it provides assurance for literally hundreds of thousands of Christians in unfortunate areas of the world who have come to depend on the resources of Southern Baptists when it comes to preaching Christ.

Paul said, "Let all things be done decently and in order" (1 Cor. 14:40). The Cooperative Program is Southern Baptist decency and order in money matters.

As a Denomination, the Cooperative Program helps us to see all of the causes as a whole, it provides an economical distributing method, it tends to control overspending and indebtedness, it enables the churches to present a common front to the world, and it helps the churches and the causes to keep in step.

As for the individual church, the Cooperative Program helps the church to witness to the unity that we have as Baptists, it makes the local church a part of the world field, and it provides untold strength for the church which takes an active part in the Program.

The individual church member also benefits from the Cooperative Program, for it helps the individual who is not full time missionary to fulfill his responsibility as a missionary, it helps him to contribute permanently to God's plan of the ages, and it helps the individual to demonstrate on a world basis the Christian prinicples of sharing.

According to the records of our State Convention in Raleigh, The Avery County Baptist Association has contributed the following to the Cooperative Program for the given association year running from July 1, 1959 to June 30, 1960.

	Cooperative Program	**Designated Gifts**
July - December, 1959	$1,011.99	$1,224.49
January - June 30, 1960	542.23	1,354.82
Total	$1,554.22	$2,579.31
Grand Total		$4,133.53

At the present moment we do not have the figure for the grand total expenditure for the given associational year but from the figures which we do have we can readily surmise that we have not increased our missions giving beyond the low-low percentage which has been the pattern for the past five years in particular.

Nineteen of the twenty-nine churches in the Avery Association were zero churches for the past association year as far as the Cooperative Program goes in that they did not contribute any amount through the Program. Seven of the churches which did contribute gave less than $100.00 but they are to be commended in that they did show the missionary spirit which is a must for any Baptist Church calling itself a Missionary Baptist Church.

We could wish and we should strive to increase our gifts through The Cooperative Program for this next associational year. There should not be any zero churches among Missionary Baptists. Each

church in our Avery Association should seek to increase its missions gifts through the Cooperative Program at least 2% a year during these years of Jubilee Advance.

All of these facts and figures paint a picture which we as an Association of Missionary Baptist cannot be content with. We call ourselves Southern Baptists—Missionary Baptists and yet we do not support our 6 Seminaries, our 30 Senior Colleges, our 33 Junior Colleges, our 40 Hospitals, our 34 Children's Homes, and above all our 3,000 plus Missionaries on home and foreign fields.

God grant that we may be found faithful in the Avery County Baptist Association in asuming the responsibility which is ours through the Cooperative Program of Southern Baptists.

Respectfully submitted,
John M. Cann

Adopted August 5, 1960.

4. Report on Homes for the Aged was given by Rev. Marvin Smith.

North Carolina Baptist Homes For The Aging

God's gift to the Homes for the Aging during the past nine years has been James M. Hayes, Sr. No man could have worked harder, or accomplished more, than this dedicated man of God. On July 1, he relinquished the heavy and challenging responsibilities of the office of general superintedent to his successor, William A. Poole.

The new superintendent is diligently at work and is finding a solid foundation on which to build and expand our ministry to the aging in our midst.

Great blessings are in store for us in this tenth year of our Homes for the Aging. The new Infirmary Annex, constructed at a cost of $193,000, and with 28 new rooms, will be in use by September 1. It is hoped that the construction of the proposed new Hamilton Home can be started by late summer, with facilities for around 30 additional residents. Our hats are off to all who have given so liberally and worked so tirelessly in bringing this fourth Home to fulfilment!

At the present, there are sixty applicants on the waiting list, and new inquiries and applications pouring in daily. We now have a total of 106 residents in our three Homes—Resthaven, 20; Albe-

marle, 34; Headquarters, 52. Even with our new facilities, it is not unrealistic to say that we could fill rooms up to 500 in the next two years. We must attempt great things for God and expect great things from God as we plan for the future in our ministering to the ever-growing number of the aging who need the loving care of North Carolina Baptists.

One of the life-lines in our work is the vital relationship that we have with the pastor and churches of our Convention. We could not operate without this very important and blessed tie that binds. We are increasingly dependent upon the prayers and the financial support of the churches. During the fiscal year, October 1, 1959, to August 1, 1960, we have received—$82,521.20 from the churches. Of this amount, $76,352.70 was contributed through the Special Day Offering in February. Although this amount is—$123,000 short of our goal of $200,000, we are profoundly grateful to God and to everyone who has had a part in contributing to the worthy cause which we represent.

We are constantly experiencing mixed emotions in the Homes. We rejoiced with Aunt Fannie Drumwright on her 99th birthday in July, and were saddened by the deaths of Miss Lillie Herring in October, Mrs. Mary Holder in April, Mr. T. J. Castevens in June, and Mrs. Annie Smith in July.

We shall welcome a visit to the Homes from our fellow Baptists at any time and stand ready at all times to render the service that God has called us to render to the aging.

Let it be known throughout the bounds of our fair State that there is nothing to hinder any needy aging person in our midst from coming to the North Carolina Baptist Homes for the Aging except lack of space. Let us, therefore, dedicate ourselves to the end of making more available at the earliest possible moment.

Respectfully,
Marvin C. Smith

Adopted August 5, 1960.

5. Report on Homes for Children was given by Rev. Lloyd Shell, Pastor of Stamey Town Church.

Report of the Baptist Children's Home of North Carolina, Inc.

The Baptist Children's Home of North Carolina, is a multiple service agency providing Christian love and understanding for more than 800 deserving boys and girls annualy.

The three homes are Mills Home at Thomasville, with 311 children, Kennedy Home at Kinston with 165 children, and Odum Home at Pembroke with 24 children.

There are 160 children in Foster Homes and 40 others who are assisted by mother's aid. Case work supervision is afforded 30 college students annually.

Children attend public school and participate in all school activities. Opportunities for Christian commitment and spiritual growth are afforded on the campuses, in the cottages and through the churches.

Relativities, pastors, social service agencies, and interested friends make inquiries about admission of children in need of care.

When applications are received, well trained case workers make a thorough study of each situation to determine the need and the best possible plan of care for the child.

The Social Service Department of the children's home affords case work services throughout the state. Individuals, families, pastors, and churches are entitled to this help upon request.

The Baptist Child Care program is supported through the cooperative program 31.5 per cent. Thanksgiving offering 31.1 per cent. Once a month offering 21.9 per cent, Special Gifts and Endowment 15.5 per cent.

Income for the past three years has not been sufficient to meet minimum needs many children have been denied a Christian home whom we should have served an increased Thanksgiving offering is imperlative this year.

North Carolina Baptist have been caring for homeless and dependent children for 75 years. Appropriate observance of the 75th anniversary will be made in November. During these years, more than 8,000 children have been afforded life's best opportunities. The need for such services increases with the development of industry, increase in population, growth of cities, and the mounting tensions which occur to families in an urbanized society.

John E. Roberts became Editor of Charity and Cchildren, June 1, 1960 we invision, under his editorship, this paper making an increasing contribution, to the total life of our Baptist people.

North Carolina Baptist will continue to love and serve dependent children. No other object is so worthy of Service and Sac-

rifice. Many areas of utmost need confront us each day. Your continued interest and increasing support will help us meet them.

Let us prove our love for the children by giving a great offering this Thanksgiving. It's needed and God will repay you.

Respectfully Submitted
Rev. Lloyd Shell

6. The report on Vacation Bible School was given by Mrs. Grace Calhoun and the Association was sorry to have Mrs. Calhoun's resignation at this time. She now lives in Tenanessee and feels that someone in the Avery Association should be appointed to do the Bible School Work. Miss Gloria Gee Ollis was recommended and approved by the Association to be the Director of Vacation Bible School work for 1961.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Despite the fact that more than two million boys and girls are enrolled in Southern Baptist Vacation Bible Schools each year, there are other millions who are not reached. There are countless numbers of boys and girls who are not reached in the Avery Association because many churches in the association do not have a Bible School. These churches need to have Vacation Bible School to provide Bible teaching for every boy and girl. In these church communities there are to be found hundreds of unsaved boys and girls, young people, men, and women. They need the message of God's Word, and they need to know Jesus as Saviour and Lord.

Let me present a plan of action to each of the churches for the coming year in Vacation Bible School work. Under the leadership of the pastor, your church should vote to conduct a school. It should then contact the associational missionary or the appointed worker for Vacation Bible School and inform him of its plans, and if need be, ask his assistance. Vacation Bible School is a co-operative effort. Make plans for the school and enlist faculty members from qualified adults and young people in the church. All teachers should be properly trained in advance. Materials should be gathered for the school and should be provided by the church, and there should be extensive publicity about the school in the community. The church should provide needed leadership and financial support for the school.

Eleven of the twenty-nine churches in this association have followed this plan of action this year. Many boys and girls have been given a plan of Bible study which they can continue in order to help them develop more useful lives for Christ. Many have found Christ as their Saviour in the Bible schools. This is the only solution to the needs of the lost youth of our association. It is worth one soul for Christ to have a Bible school? If we are Missionary Baptist, then let us begin our mission program in our own association by winning our lost through Vacation Bible School.

Respectfully Submitted,
Mrs. Grace Ollis Calhoun

Adopted on August. 5, 1960.

7. Report on Church Music was given by Kenneth Johnson, Director of Music. The report was spoken on by Mrs. Robert Lacey of Newland.

MUSIC

Sing unto the Lord, all the earth; show forth from day to day his salvation. I Chron. 16:23.

Singing has always been a way for God's people to express their inner feelings and to show fourth this relationship to God. In happiness and sorrow God will give His people a song as our Bible bears out. Through a song some of the greatest testimonies are borne; souls are convicted of sin, Christian faith made stronger, our souls up-lifted. This is true as we bear testimony of our own experience and praise our God to all men in Psalms, Hymns and Spiritual Singing.

Those serving on the Associational Music staff are waiting to help those of our churches wishing choirs, to help organize one or more choirs according to the need of the individual church. I suggest here you contact any of the officers on our Music Committee. Your director is always ready to help you if asked.

As Associational Music Director I will give some of the purposes of our ministry in the Association.

1. Have Associational Hymn Sings at which all churches are invited to attend and participate in well rounded, spiritual programs.

2. To help all our people to learn the use of better music in our worship services, thus honoring God and helping the individual express himself to God and people his inner Christian experience and convictions.

3. To lead all churches to have choirs in porportion to the need of the church. We stress to the fullest, graded choirs as these work on the same basis as your different age classes in Sunday School. A Juniors voice is different from an Intermediate and where possible at all in these should have a separate choir. Don't ever mix all ages in one choir as the age changes the voice range so greatly. Too, if possible for our younger members are more active in attendance and learning. We can't teach a Junior on an adult level in music any more than in Sunday School.

4. To help train the people of our churches in basic fundamentals of music. Many of our officers will be glad to help organize choirs in the churches. You pastors contact me if you'd like help in this respect.

5. To use only music in our Associational meetings that will honor God and please Him.

6. To have people from each church attend our music programs, as we must state only a minority of the churches have had representation at our Hymn Sings.

Plans for the coming year include a program September 11th which is Church Music Month in the whole Southern Baptist Convention. We will meet with Elk Park Church at that time. Also a Thanksgiving and Christmas program are to be planned soon. (If you'd like for one of our musical programs to be in your church contact me.)

The following are proposed affairs for the coming year: Director Kenneth Johnson, Assistant Director, Mrs. Julian Green; Pastor-Advisiors, Rev. John Cann, Rev. Robert Davis, Rev. William Abel; Director of Instrumental, Mrs. John Cann; Assistant, Mrs. Bob Banner; Director of Training Bruce Daniels; Director of Congregational Activities, Felton Suddereth; Director of Graded Choirs, Mrs. Bob Lacy; Directors of Promotion Publicity, Mrs. Geneva Mohr and Mrs. Kermit Johnson.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kenneth Johnson

Adopted on Motion August 5, 1960.

8. Report on Womens Missionary Union was given by Mrs. J. T. Tanner of Newland.

W.M.U. REPORT

At the present time, there are 8 organization as follows:

Seven W. M. U. Societies, and One ungraded G. A.. There are 128 members, 47 tithers.

We gave the sum of $470.69 to the Lottie Moon Christmas offering, and $46.80 to the Heck-Jones offering.

We still support our Japanese War orphan by sending $10.00 per month for her upkeep.

We receive regular accounts of her progress which seems quite satisfactory.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. J. T. Tanner

9. Sonny Wiseman, a native of Avery County, who is now doing Church work in Alaska, was recognized by the Moderator, and Mr. Wiseman gave a very interesting account of the Baptist work in Alaska.

10. The Association adjourned for lunch which was served, picnic style, on the ground.

The Association convened at 1 p.m.

10. Congregational singing and the Devotion was conducted by Rev. Frank Parsons, Pastor of Pineola church.

12. The Obituary Report was given by Mrs. Beatrice Teague Banner. The thought was based on scripture taken from Revelation 14 Chapter, 13th verse. Mrs. Banner read the list of the departed ones while soft and appropriate music was given by Mrs. Julian Greene of Newland.

OBITUARIES

"And I heard a voice from Heaven saying unto me, Write. Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them." (Rev. 14:13).

Our "Home-goers' this year are 32 in number, representing 15 churches.

"Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of his saints." Psalms 116:15 Roll Call — Pick up flower—

BEECH MOUNTAIN: Mrs. Emma Church.

BELVIEW: Mrs. Hattie Beers, Mrs. Ozaline Huffman Coffey, Jake Davis, Mrs. Betty Henson.

CHESTNUT DALE: Rufus Johnson, William Wright.

CROSSNORE: Mrs. John Dellinger, Carroll Franklin, Herbie Johnson, Sr., Port Thompson.

JONAS RIDGE: Mrs. Grady Clark.

MINNEAPOLIS: Rev. Rube Cook, Mrs. Betty Staton Henson, Deacon Joel Pritchard.

MOUNT PLEASANT: Mrs. Minnie Burleson.

NEWLAND: Mrs. J. Atlas Banner.

OAK GROVE: Mrs. Minnie Ledford, Etley Johnson.

PINEOLA: Rev. W. W. Greene.

PLEASANT HILL: Eugene Buchanan, Garfield Carpenter, Ed Hoilman.

ROARING CREEK: Rev. Guy Blair, Clay Hughes, Mrs. Easter Hughes, Bob Hughes, Billie Thomas.

SUGAR MOUNTAIN: Ben Wise.

VALLEY HAVEN: Earl Carver.

YELLOW MOUNTAIN: Hardy Johnson, Waits Wiseman.

Tennyson's "Crossing the Bar"

Sunset and evening Star
And one clear call for me
And may there be no moaning of the bar.
When I put to sea.
But such a tide as moving seems asleep.
Too full for sound and foam.
When that which drew from out the boundless deep
Turns again home.
Twilight and evening fell
And after that the dark!
And may there be no sadness of farewell.
When I embark:
For tho from out our bourne of Time and Place
The flood may bear me far.
I hope to see my Pilot face to face
When I have crossed the bar.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Bob Banner

Aug. 5th, 1960. I move the adoption of this report.

A quartet from Newland Baptist Church presented two numbers in memory of our dear departed dead, especially our Moderator of a year ago, Rev. Vivie W. Greene. They sang "Rock of Ages," "God Will Take Care of You," accompanied by Mrs. Julian Greene, at the piano. Those in the quartet were: Bruce Daniels, Julian Greene, Rufus Henley, Howard Turbyfill.

Prayer of benediction.

3. Report of Committee on Resolutions was given by Rev. Frank Parsons.

RESOLUTIONS

Be it resolved, that we extend our heart felt thanks to Rev. Marvin Smith the good Pastor and to his wonderful people of this the Oak Grove and Stamey Town Churches for their inviting, preparing, feeding so bountifully, welcoming so graciously this large Avery County Missionary Baptist Association into their Church. And sharing their Christian love, unselfish hospitality, untiring efforts and bushels and bushels of the very best of well prepared food.

Be it resolved, we also give expression of our joy to the Officers, speakers and all concerned of this Avery Association for their spiritual food in sermon and song, in reports and helps spoken and written. May God continue to bless this working Body of Avery County Baptist people.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Frank Parsons,
Rev. Ira Hodges

Adopted August 4, 1960.

4. Report of Committee on Time, Place and Preacher was given by D. N. Jones.

TIME, PLACE, AND PREACHER

We recommend that the Association reconvene August 2nd, 1961 with the Aaron Church and August 3rd, 1961 with the Jonas Ridge Church. Preacher — Spencer McCloud; Alternate — Lloyd Shell.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. D. N. Jones
J. A. Webb, H. E. Huffman

Adopted.

5. Rev. John Cann, Roby Lewis and Mr. George Watson was appointed by the Moderator, as a Committee, to investigate the absence of Henson Creek Church and report to next session. The Clerk was directed to write Pleasant Valley and Fairview Churches and relative to their absence.

6. It was moved and carried that the Churches of Avery Association be required to take an offering for the Baptist Hospital on the 2nd, Sunday of October.

Association stood adjourned until next regular meeting time.

Table A CHURCH AND MEMBERSHIP

CHURCHES	Location Rural-V-T-C	Date Organized	Dates of Meeting	PASTORS	Baptisms	Letters and Other Additions	Loss by Death, Transfer, etc.	Total Resident Members	Total Non-Resident Members	Grand Total Present Members	Revival Meetings Held	Number Tithers	Church Have Budget?	Every Member Canvass?	State Paper In Budget?	No. Missions Started This Year	No. Local Missions Oper. By Ch	Pastor's Annual Salary (Whether had a pastor for full year or not)
Aaron	V	1858	2	Marvin Smith, Newland	0	0	1	98	22	120	1	0	No	No	No	0	1	873.06
Beech Mountain	R	1869	2	Lawrence Hagaman, Reece	6	0	4	93	72	165	2	3	No	No	No	0	0	1,093.26
Belview	R	1922	2	Spencer McCloud, Cranberry	3	1	16	60	45	105	1	0	No	No	No	0	0	625.00
Big Meadow	R	1845	2	Charlie Woody, Spruce Pine	7	0	3	84	54	138	1	2	No	No	No	0	0	
Chestnut Dale	R		2	Homer Murdock, Spruce Pine	0	0	2	38	10	48	2	0	No	No	No	0	0	480.00
Cranberry	V	1908	2	Robert Davis, Cranberry	0	1	7	102	57	159	1	0	Yes	No	No	0	0	475.00
Crossnore	V	1907	4	John M. Cann, Crossnore	23	7	5	187	120	307		28	Yes	Yes	No	0	0	3,600.00
Elk Park	T	1923	4	Haskel Ingram, Hampton, Tennessee	0	0	1	66	27	93	0	10	Yes	No	No	0	0	1,200.00
Elk Valley	R	1882	2	D. N. Jones, Elk Park	4	4	4	110	89	199	1	0	No	No	No	0	0	220.00
Fall Creek	R	1885	2	D. N. Jones, Elk Park	3	2	2	143	64	207	1	0	No	No	No	0	0	
Flat Springs	R	1902	2	Ronda Earp, Vilas	0	0	4	183	60	243	1	0	No	No	No	0	0	302.40
Green Valley	R	1886		(Not Given)	3	2	0	85	43	128	1	0	No	No	No	0	0	760.00
Jonas Ridge	R	1881	3	Erby McKinney, Spruce Pine	29	6	4	82	24	106	3	0	No	No	No	0	0	600.00
Minneapolis	V		2	Dayton Jones, Elk Park	4	8	3	139	29	168	2	0	No	No	No	0	0	960.00
Mt. Pleasant	R	1869	2	Marvin Smith, Newland	2	3	1	85	23	108	2	10	Yes	No	No	0	0	900.00
Newland	T	1921	4	William M. Abel, Newland	2	4	3	184	83	267	1	0	Yes	Yes	Yes	0	0	3,380.00
Oak Grove	R		4	Marvin Smith, Newland	4	3	3	90	0	90	1	0	No	No	No	0	0	600.00
Pineola	R	1920	2	Lawrence Parsons, Bakersville	0	0	1	70	0	70	0	0	No	No	No	0	0	
Pleasant Hill	R	1905	2	Mack Hodge, Bakersville	9	0	6	258	116	374	2	0	Yes	No	No	0	0	2,400.00
Powder Mill	R	1914	2	G. H. Dillinger, Newland	1	0	0	90	0	90	1	0	No	No	No	0	0	
Roaring Creek	R	1871	2	Garfield Hughes, Newland	6	1	5	98	17	115	1	0	No	No	No	0	0	145.37
Stamey Town	R	1947	4	Lloyd Shell, Marion	19	12	0	59	5	64	2	0	No	No	No	0	0	360.00
Sugar Mountain	R	1950	2	K. L. Haga, Newland	2	0	1	42	11	53	2	10	No	No	No	0	0	290 62
Valley Haven	R	1948	2	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk	1	0	3	42	20	62	1	7	No	No	No	0	0	218.00
White's Memorial	V		2	William Whitefield, Spruce Pine	0	4	0	70	22	92	1	0	No	No	No	0	0	600.00
Yellow Mountain	R		2	R. L. Painter, Banner Elk	0	1	6	75	49	124	0	0	No	No	No	0	0	480.00

Table B THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

SUNDAY SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

CHURCHES	SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPERINTENDENTS & ADDRESSES	Cradle Roll	Nursery	Beginners	Primaries	Juniors	Intermediates	Young People, Married	Young People, Away	Adults (25-34)	Adults (35 and up)	Extension Department	General Officers	Mission Sunday School Enrolment	Grand Total Sunday School Enrolment	Average Attendance	Church V.B.S. Enr.	Mission V. B. S. Enr.	Total Vacation Bible School Enrolment	January Bible Study	Preparation Week
Aaron	Felton Sudderth, Montezuma													13	105	75	0	0	0	No	No
Beech Mountain	John Trivett, Elk Park	0	0	8	4	7	8	10	6	11	10	0	2		66	50	0	0	0	No	No
Belview	Dewey Gouge, Cranberry	4	6	8	8	6	10	6	8	6	20	2	5		85	60	49	0	0	No	No
Big Meadows	Lembert Benfield, Newland	0	15	15	12	0	12	8	23	0	0	0	0		85	75	0	0	0	No	No
Chestnut Dale	Condly Huffman, Newland	3	0	2	4	7	6	0	0	12	15	0	8		57	30	0	0	0	No	No
Cranberry	B. H. Nicely, Cranberry	11	13	15	27	18	29	0	0	28	20	0	0	0	161	70	60	0	60	No	No
Crossnore	John Webb, Crossnore	12	15	44	62	38	40	10	5	16	53	8	22	0	325	0	108	0	108	Yes	No
Elk Park	Joe J. Massey, Elk Park	4	5	5	6	7	9	0	0	0	20	6	8	0	70	50	44	0	44	No	No
Elk Valley	Ernest McGuire, Elk Park	0	0	15	14	17	14	0	0	0	30	0	0	0	90	51	0	0	0	No	No
Fall Creek	D. C. Cook, Elk Park	0	6	8	12	0	26	0	0	0	27	0	0	0	79	79	0	0	0	No	No
Flat Springs	Cleo Jones, Elk Park	9	12	0	16	13	5	6	0	17	13	0	0	0	82	80	0	0	0	No	No
Green Valley	Robert McCellan, Spruce Ridge	2	7	6	6	6	0	10	0	8	20	0	2	0	67	45	0	0	0	No	No
Jonas Ridge	H. R. Clark, Jonas Ridge	4	6	6	13	14	6	0	0	0	20	0	3	0	72	55	36	0	36	No	No
Minneapolis	R. T. Lewis, Minneopolis	18	16	0	18	12	12	20	0	10	22	0	3	0	131	100	0	0	0	No	No
Mt. Pleasant	Melvin Clark, Newland	0	15	11	18	20	10	0	0	22	0	0	0	0	96	85	0	0	0	No	No
Newland	Bruce Daniels, Newland	0	24	17	31	22	10	0	0	35	42	0	0	0	181	111	82	0	82	Yes	No
Oak Grove	Dean Taylor, Newland	21	0	0	30	0	31	0	0	0	35	0	6	0	123	85	0	0	0	No	No
Pineola	George, Smith, Pineola	4	5	0	6	0	19	0	0	0	10	0	4	0	48	40	47	0	0	No	No
Pleasant Hill	Raymond Brown, Frank	5	8	11	16	22	5	4	2	18	52	0	0	0	143	109	96	0	96	Yes	No
Powder Mill	Howard Thomas, Newland	0	15	0	15	0	20	0	0	0	20	0	0	0	70	60	45	0	0	No	No
Roaring Creek	Verl Hughes, Newland	0	18	10	8	8	6	6	0	10	20	0	0	0	86	75	0	0	0	No	No
Stamey Town	Mason Carpenter, Newland	0	12	16	14	0	24	14	0	0	18	0	2	0	100	67	0	0	0	No	No
Sugar Mountain	Floyd Banner, Newland	0	6	6	6	10	6	2	0	6	10	0	12	0	64	35	0	0	0	No	No
Valley Haven	Larry Draughn, Banner Elk	0	0	10	15	15	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	54	35	0	0	0	No	No
Whites Memorial	George Buchanan, Newland														75	60	0	0	0	No	No
Yellow Mountain	Austin Buchanan, Plumtree	10	0	0	0	11	13	0	0	0	21	0	0	0	55	50	0	0	0	No	No

Table I MISSION EXPENDITURES

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CHURCHES	CLERKS OF CHURCHES AND ADDRESSES	Cooperative Program	Designated Association	Designated State Missions	Designated Home Missions	Designated Foreign Missions	Designated Christian Education Schools	Designated Children's Homes	Designated Hospitals	Other Designated objects Bible Society, Homes For Aged and etc.	Total Mission Expenditures
Aaron	S. E. Pritchard, Montezummia		15.00								15.00
Beech Mountain	John Trivett, Elk Park	161.40						50	12.85	12.95	237.20
Belview	Julius Ollis, Cranberry	6.61		25.55	5.00	25.00		85.00	25.00	25.00	197.16
Big Meadows	Mrs. L. W. Carpenter, Newland				32.50			125.45	42.00		199.95
Chestnut Dale	J. C. Isaacs, Newland							150.00	45.00		195.00
Cranberry	O. L. Wright, Cranberry	8.63		25.00	25.00	25.00	15.46	25.00	42.00	10.00	176.09
Crossnore	Mrs. Nell Aldridge, Crossnore	476.82	30.00	28.60	55.80	111.77		46.76		37.60	787.35
Elk Park	Mrs. Dale Shook, Elk Park	300.00	10.00		118.33	101.00		300.00		5.00	716.00
Elk Valley	Lonnie R. Aldridge, Banner Elk							60.00	28.08		205.41
Fall Creek	Mack F. Cook, Elk Park							50.00	30.00		80.00
Flat Springs	J. M. Harmon, Beech Elk		13.65					72.27	10.00		95.92
Green Valley	Mrs. Fritz Hall, Spruce Pine		10.00					59.29	14.82		84.11
Jonas Ridge	Johnnie Shell, Jonas Ridge	8.44						81.40	11.33	20.00	121.17
Minneapolis	Jammie Carter, Minneapolis		15.00	25.00				70.65	62.00	12.00	184.65
Mt. Pleasant	R. F. Harney, Newland		15.00								15.00
Newland	Ruth H. Callaway, Newland	639.93	20.00	24.59	23.50	210.08		86.65	34.50		1,039.05
Oak Grove	Duard Cornett, Newland		6.00					17.00	22.00		45.00
Pineola	Mrs. Edna Moir, Pineola		5.00	5.00	5.00	5.00		5.00	5.00		30.00
Pleasant Hill	Lawrence Ollis, Newland		15.00			129.07		52.00	34.87		230.94
Powder Mill	George Watson, Newland		8.00								8.00
Roaring Creek	Evia Hughes, Newland		4.00							5.00	9.00
Stamey Town	Mamie Dellinger, Newland		10.00					40.00	17.50	25.00	92.50
Sugar Mountain	Mrs. Hugh Braswell, Newland		10.00						41.00		51.00
Valley Haven	Joe B. Perry, Banner Elk		10.00	10.75	16.38		15.48	24.45	32.25	10.86	120.17
White's Memorial	G. C. Buchanan, Newland		10.00		113.00	34.00		30.00			187.00
Yellow Mountain	Junior Wright, Newland		5.00					65.65	30.07		100.72

SUMMARY TABLE—Use only where nine individual tables not used

Location R. V. T. C.	Year Organized	Services—indicate 1-2-3-4	CHURCHES (Please Type or Print in Alphabetical Order)	Names of Pastors and Full Addresses	Baptisms Reported	Additions By Letter	Total Membership (Including Non-Resident)	S. S. Enrollment (Including Mission Schools	Vacation Bible School Enrollment	Training Union Enrollment	W.M.U. Enrollment	Brotherhood Enrollment	Total Value Church Property (Including Pastor's Home)	Total Receipts For All Purposes	* Total Mission Expenditures	* Pastors Annual Salary
V	1858	2	Aaron	Marvin Smith, Newland	0	0	120	105			29		19,200	1973		873
R	1869	2	Beech Mountain	Lawrence Hagaman, Reece	6	0	145	66		27			10.000	1897	237	1093
R	1922	2	Belview	Spencer McCloud, Cranberry	3	1	105	85			10		5,000	1929	197	625
R	1845	2	Big Meadow	Charlie Woody, Spruce Pine	7	0	138	85					6,000		200	
R		2	Chestnut Dale	Homer Murdock, Spruce Pine	0	0	48	57					9,000	1247	195	480
V	1908	2	Cranberry	Robert Davis, Cranberry	0	1	159	160	60	39			7,000	2181	176	275
V	1907	4	Crossnore	John M. Cann, Crossnore	23	7	307	325	108	120	33	27	15.000	10358	787	3600
T	1923	4	Elk Park	Haskell Ingram, Hampton, Tenn.	0	0	93	70	44	53	25		12,000	3232	516	1200
R	1882	2	Elk Valley	D. N. Jones, Elk Park	4	4	199	90		60				1620	206	720
R	1885	2	Fall Creek	D. N. Jones, Elk Park	3	2	222	79		43			14,500	1385	80	
R	1902	2	Flat Springs	Ronda Earp, Vilas	0	0	243	160					5,000	724	82	302
R	1886		Green Valley		3	2	87	67					5.000		74	760
R	1881	3	Jonas Ridge	Erbie McKinney, Spruce Pine	29	6	106	72	36	44			20.000	3241	121	600
V		2	Minneapolis	Dayton Jones, Elk Park	4	8	169	126					8.000	12020	170	960
R	1869	2	Mt. Pleasant	Marvin Smith, Newland	2	3	108	96					15,000	1572		900
T	1921	4	Newland	William M. Abel, Newland	2	4	267	181	82		31	45	50,700		1039	3380
R		4	Oak Grove	Marvin Smith, Newland	4	3	90	123						1700	39	600
R	1920	2	Pineola	Frank Parson, Bakersville	0	0	70	48		50			6,000	490	30	
R	1905	2	Pleasant Hill	Mack Hodges, Bakersville	9	0	374	156	96	75	22	40	30,000	5767	241	2400
R	1914	2	Powder Mill	G. H. Dellinger, Newland	1	0	90	60					5.000	4240		
R	1871	2	Roaring Creek	Garfield Hughes, Newland	6	1	115	86					4,000		5	145
R	1947	4	Stamey Town	Lloyd Shell, Marion	19	12	64	108		60			10,000	2316	83	360
R	1950	2	Sugar Mountain	C. L. Haga, Newland	2	0	53	52		16			5,000	1244	41	291
R	1948	2	Valley Haven	Ira Hodges, Banner Elk	1	0	62	54		54				381	110	218
V		2	White Memorial	William Whitefield, Spruce Pine	0	4	99	75						863	177	600
R		2	Yellow Mountain	B. L. Painter, Banner Elk	0	1	121	134					8,000	1203	96	480

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